lations of this kind. The principal element in the success of such an undertaking could be always wanting, should the Municipality be burdened with it, *viz.*, self-interest. Entertaining this opinion, the Committee hold that a better arrangement cannot be made than to give the franchise to a private firm.

Seeing that the streets of Calcutta are generally very narrow and the centres of trade are so widely dispersed all over the town, the Committee entertain grave doubts as to the probability of laying down such a net-work of tramways as to intercept the bulk of the passenger and goods traffic and make the venture profitable. This, however, is a question which concerns the speculators who propose to take up the undertaking. Should they be satisfied that a profitable speculation can be carried on by laying down rails on the principal streets only, the Committee are of opinion that a specific engagement should be taken from the lessees to the effect that only animal power should be used for running the trains. The employment of steam-power would be open to grave danger in the streets of a crowded town like Calcutta. The selection of streets through which the tramway may be laid ought to be left to the discretion of the Justices, subject to the sanction of Government. Narrow streets should be invariably avoided. The Committee are further of opinion that a bonus of Rs. 3,000 for every mile of the line laid down, measured, along the public streets is not a sufficient compensation to the town for the immense concession made. The Committee have observed above that the success of the tramway will depend chiefly upon the proportion in which it will draw the traffic at present carried on by hackeries and hackneys, and in that proportion that latter will, of course, be displaced. This displacement would result in a loss of a large amount of Municipal revenue per annum—the hackery tax alone amounts to Rs. 40,000 annually—and if Rs. 30,000 were added as the probable yield of the carriage and horse tax upon hackneys, the total amount would come to Rs. 70,000. It might fairly be presumed that a net-work of tramways through the principal thoroughfares of the town would displace at least half the present number of hackeries and hackneys, and the loss of revenue to the Municipality per annum would in that case be at the lowest Rs. 35,000 annually. Such a loss would be ill-compensated by a bonus of Rs. 3,000 for every mile of the line laid down. The Committee would recommend the substitution of an "annual rent-charge" per mile in lieu of a bonus. The rent should, of course, be regulated by a consideration of the mileage covered by the rail and of the probable income from the tramway. It may be open to revision every ten years with a view to prevent loss to either party.

From C. HICKIE, ESQ., Secretary, Calcutta Trades' Association, to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Public Works Department,—(dated the 20th June 1874.)

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 4006 dated the 12th instant, forwarding, for the opinion of the Trades' Association, certain papers relating to a proposal for giving to a private firm the right of making street tramways in the Town of Calcutta for a term of years.

2. In reply, I am requested by the Committee of the Association to state that, in their opinion, it would be an advantage to the town if tramways were established in its principal thoroughfares. The short line which was constructed by the Municipality was undoubtedly a great convenience to the public, and the Committee believe that any measure favoring the extension of tramways throughout the town would meet with general approval. The Committee would suggest, however, that every line of tramway should be laid down in the centre, and not by the side of a street. It is obvious that the latter course, if followed, will cause great inconvenience, particularly in streets occupied by houses of business, and the Committee trust therefore that, in considering any scheme which may be submitted for the construction of tramways, this important point will not be lost sight of.

3. As to the agency to be employed in the matter, the Committee would recommend that the contract for laying down tramways should be granted to some private firm in this country, subject, of course, to the control of the Justices; and, so far as the Committee are able to judge from the papers submitted to them, they believe that the arrangement which the Justices propose to make with Mr. Macallister is the best that could be entered into.

From LIEUTENANT-COLONEL F. S. TAYLOR, R. E., Consulting Engineer to the Government of India for Guaranteed Railways, to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Public Works Department,—(No. 2085, dated the 11th July 1874.)

From the Agent, Eastern Bengal Railway Company, No. 2575 dated 20th June 1874.
From Chairman of the Agency, East Indian Railway, No. 589G. dated 4th instant.

In compliance with the request of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor conveyed in your letter No. 4007 of 12th June 1874, I have the honor to forward copies of the letters as per margin from the Agents of the East Indian and Eastern Bengal Railways, giving their views on the subject of the proposed Street Tramways.

2. When the present experimental line was laid between the Sealdah and Armenian Ghat Stations little was known in India on the subject of Tramways, but since that date Tramways have been laid and successfully worked in almost every metropolis in Europe, so that there need be no fear of obstruction to the streets or difficulty in settling the engineering details, provided the Justices are guided by sound professional advice.

3. I should advise the Justices to stipulate for the formation of a Joint Stock Company, with a capital suited to a scheme of Tramways which would properly accommodate the city, before negotiating further. And it should be settled beforehand which of the lines are to be used for passenger traffic only, and which for passenger and goods traffic combined.

4. Should the Justices desire at any future date to extend the system of Tramways so as to embrace a larger area, the additional concession should first be offered to the original Company, and if they declined to avail themselves of it, the Municipality should reserve the right to negotiate with third parties, but no proposals for competing lines should at any time be entertained.

5. Subject to the above stipulation, I see no objection to the grant of a long lease, though provision for the purchase of the Tramway on equitable terms after a period of 15 years by mutual agreement might be advisable.

6. I recommend that the present gauge of 3″ 3′ be insisted on by Government with a limitation of the width of vehicles to 6″ 6′; and that animal draft only be allowed.

7. All the details of construction and rolling-stock should, I think, be submitted for the approval of the Government of Bengal, and the line when open should be subject at any time to official inspection, and the Company should be bound to correct anything considered by Government to be objectionable or dangerous.

Enclosure to letter No. 2085 *dated* 11*th July* 1874.

From F. PRESTAGE, ESQ., Agent, Eastern Bengal Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer to the Government of India for Guaranteed Railways,—(No. 2575, dated the 20th June 1874.)

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your docket No. 1812 dated 16th instant, covering letter No. 4007 from the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, and forwarding therewith memorandum by the Officiating Chairman of the Justices of the Peace, relative to the working of the Calcutta Tramways.

In reply, I would beg to observe that so little information is given as to Mr. Macallister's proposals that I can only suggest that if the views of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, as given in letter No. 780 dated the 7th February last, from the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Public Works Department, to the Chairman of the Justices, are not carried out, *i. e.*, unless Tramways are constructed and worked in a thorough manner, where thought desirable throughout the city, by some Public Authority, it would, I am of opinion, be desirable to accept Mr. Macallister's offer, taking it for granted that the Chairman of the Justices will act up to the concluding part of paragraph 6 of his No. 505 of the 2nd April 1874.

I would further suggest that, if it does not form part of the arrangement that Mr. Macallister is to construct the Tramways of the standard (5′ 6″) gauge or add a third rail to the present Tramway and its intended extensions, that the Government should reserve to itself the right to lay at any time rails of such a gauge either by partly making use of any Tramways that may be constructed of the narrower gauge or otherwise.

It should, I think, form part of any arrangement that the working of any Tramway once opened should not cease, without the sanction of Government.

I presume the Government or the Municipality will reserve to themselves the powers of compelling the Concessionaires (if the rights to construct and work Tramways are given to such an agency) to construct and work Tramways other than those intended to be worked by the Concessionaires.

I would advocate that the present Tramway should without delay be extended to the produce marts in Dhurmahatta and Aheretollah, but I am still of opinion that these marts could be easier and most advantageously reached from Sealdah by extending the Municipal Railway from the Circular Road down Beadon Street and Nimtollah Street, or even to the west end of Beadon Street. I would advise that this extension be made (if at all) by the Municipality as part of its Railway, and I am of opinion it would be found to be by far the most useful and remunerative part of that undertaking.

I must ask you to accept these views as my own only, subject, of course, to the approval of my Board of Directors in England.

From C. STEPHENSON, ESQ., Chairman of the Agency, East Indian Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer to the Government of India for Guaranteed Railways,—(No. 589G., dated the 4th July 1874.)

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the papers forwarded under your, docket No. 1811 of the 18th ultimo regarding a proposal for giving to a private firm the right of making Street Tramways in the town of Calcutta for a term of years; and in reply to express the opinion of the Agency thereon as requested. They consider that there can be no doubt but that it is only through private enterprize that Tramways can become a success, and so only if managed by those conversant with such business. With sufficiently low fares and sufficiently frequent running they see no reason why with passenger traffic only Tramways should not be as great a success here as in other countries.

With respect to the term of years for which it is proposed to grant the exclusive right of laying down a Tramway through the streets of Calcutta, it appears to them that 25 years is an unnecessarily long period, and that a term of 15 years would be sufficient if compensation by arbitration is proposed. The agreement does not appear to provide for the execution of any specified quantity of Tramway annually, or, indeed, that the Concessionaires should necessarily extend the present work.

From the Acting Chief Secretary to the Government, Fort St. George, in the Financial Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Public Works Department,—(No. 1129, dated Ootacamund, the 8th July 1874.)

With reference to your letter dated the 16th ultimo No. 4095, I am directed to forward, for the information of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor, copy of a letter* from the President of the Madras Municipal Commission, giving cover to copy of the agreement for construction and maintenance of Tramways in Madras, and promising to furnish full particulars of the traffic arrangements as soon as they are completed.

* Dated the 4th July 1874, No. 134G.

From J. C. LOCH, ESQ., President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George,—(No. 134G., dated Madras, the 4th July 1874.)

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the order of Government in the Financial Deparment of the 29th ultimo, forwarding copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Public Works Department, and applying for all the information which may be available on the subject of the Street Tramways established in Madras.

2. I send herewith copy of the agreement between the Tramway Company and the Commissioners, and will let you have full particulars of the traffic arrangements made by the Manager as soon as these are completed. The Tramways are very nearly finished, but are not yet open for the use of the public, though some experimental trips have been made with successful results so far as the actual working of the lines is concerned.

3. It is of course impossible to form at present an estimate to be relied on in regard to the undertaking proving a paying one, and I find those best qualified to form a judgment much divided in opinion on the subject. I believe the feeling of the majority to be that it is not likely to be nearly so profitable as anticipated by the Shareholders in England.

From the Secretary to the Government of Bombay in the Public Works Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Public Works Department,—(No. 514A., dated Bombay Castle, the 7th July 1874.)

With reference to your letter No. 4096 of the 16th June 1874, I am directed to forward to you, for the information of the Government of Bengal, a copy of the Bombay Tramway's Act of 1874, and also a copy of a letter just received from the Municipal Commissioner of Bombay.

From E. W. RAVENSCROFT, ESQ., Acting Municipal Commissioner of Bombay, to the Acting Under Secretary to the Government of Bombay in the Public Works Department,—(No. 3302, dated Bombay, the 29th June 1874.)

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your memorandum No. 471A. dated 27th June 1874, accompanying a letter from the Secretary to the Government of Bengal, who requests to be furnished "with any rules or conditions under which the tramways have been authorized, together with any papers which may throw light on the arrangements made and the prospect of such undertaking paying."

2. The articles of agreement which will be found on the Government records will show the terms settled by the Bombay Government, the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, and the Promoters of the tramway. These terms, with modifications, were subsequently embodied in an Act of the Bombay Legislature; and a perusal of these documents will show His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal how matters stood at the end of April last.

3. As soon as the Tramway Act had received the assent of the Viceroy, the chief Promoter of the scheme, Mr. Kittredge, requested me to officially inspect the line; and with him I rode over the 6 miles of tramway which had been laid down. Everything appearing to be in a satisfactory condition, I gave the requisite certificate, and the line was opened at once for public traffic.

4. From that time I have daily watched the working of the tramway; and as regards horses, rails, cars and drivers, I can fairly say that everything is as good and well managed as is possible. Under these circumstances, and having had no application either from the Promoters of the scheme or the public, I have not as yet availed myself of the power reserved by law to the Municipal Commissioner of making any bye-laws or rules of guidance.

5. Whether the tramways will pay or not is a matter of opinion. At first, one uniform charge of 3 annas for any distance, small or great, was exacted. The consequence was that the cars were nearly empty. Lately, the charges have been reduced and fixed on the more sensible plan of considering the distance travelled over. Hence the cars now are better filled than they were at first, though even now I do not think the speculation can pay. Unfortunately, the head-quarters of the Company are in America, and the local Agents are therefore fettered in their action.

6. I think a mistake was made in allowing the rails to be laid down in Sheik Abdool Raymoon Street, which is too narrow; and, as Municipal Commissioner, I would not, in the public interest, consent to the tramways being laid in narrow streets in future.

7. Mr. Kittredge has not applied to be allowed to lay down tramways in any fresh street, but I understand he intends to do so shortly.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,—BENGAL.

GENERAL ESTABLISHMENT.—No. 359.—*The 12th October* 1874.

Statement showing heights over mean sea-level and low water on Rivers Ganges, Bhagiruthee, and Brahmapootra during the month of September 1874.

Date.	Miles.	River Ganges.														River Bhagiruthee.				Brahmapootra.	
		Benares.		Buxar.		Dinapore.		Monghyr.		Sahebgunge.		Rampore Bauleah.		Goalundo.		Berhampore.		Kishnaghur.		Gowhatty.	
				90.		177.	87.	287.	110.	381.	94.	471.	90.	591.	120.			70.			
	Distance.			From Benares		From Benares	From Buxar	From Benares	From Dinapore	From Benares	From Monghyr	From Benares	From Saheb-gunge ...	From Benares	From Rampore Bauleah ...			From Berham-pore ...			
		Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.	Height over low water.	Height over mean sea-level.
1st	...	...	...	28′1″	197·40	26′3½″	166·45	26′9″	128·69	30′5″	98·41	25′8″	67·66	19′7″	28·52	27′4″	59·73	23′6½″	32·33	24′8½″	173·46
2nd	...	...	...	27′9″	196·82	25′9½″	165·39	26′5″	128·36	30′7″	98·28	25′11″	67·91	19′2″	28·52	27′11″	60·31	23′6″	32·29	24′11″	173·66
3rd	...	...	...	26′10″	196·15	24′8½″	164·20	25′11″	127·76	30′6″	98·50	26′0″	68·00	19′7″	28·52	28′0″	60·90	23′8″	32·45	25′1½″	173·86
4th	...	...	...	25′9″	195·07	23′7½″	163·60	25′2″	127·01	30′4″	98·33	26′1″	68·08	19′7″	28·52	28′11½″	61·35	23′8″	32·45	25′3½″	174·06
5th	...	...	...	24′10″	194·15	23′3″	163·25	24′7″	126·45	29′9″	97·75	26′3″	68·25	19′7″	28·52	28′10½″	61·27	23′11″	32·70	25′5″	174·16
6th	...	...	...	24′2″	193·48	22′9″	163·00	24′0″	125·85	29′1″	97·08	26′2″	68·16	19′6″	28·44	28′4½″	60·77	24′0″	32·79	25′2½″	173·96
7th	...	...	...	23′10″	193·15	22′11½″	162·95	23′6″	125·35	28′6″	96·50	25′11″	67·91	19′7″	28·52	28′1½″	60·54	24′1½″	32·91	24′7½″	173·36
8th	...	...	...	23′0″	192·67	22′11½″	162·95	23′2″	125·01	27′10″	95·83	25′8″	67·66	19′5″	28·30	27′11″	60·31	24′3½″	33·08	24′3½″	173·06
9th	...	...	...	23′6″	192·82	22′7½″	162·60	22′10″	124·68	27′5″	95·41	25′5″	67·41	19′10″	28·77	27′3½″	60·10	24′6″	33·29	24′1½″	172·86
10th	...	...	...	23′2″	192·48	22′3½″	162·30	22′5″	124·26	27′0″	95·00	25′0″	67·00	19′11″	28·85	27′3″	60·05	24′8½″	33·40	23′0″	171·76
11th	...	...	...	23′10″	193·15	22′9½″	162·80	21′11″	123·76	26′6″	94·50	24′10″	66·83	19′11″	28·85	26′9½″	59·19	25′0½″	33·83	22′1½″	170·86
12th	...	...	...	24′9″	194·07	24′1½″	164·10	22,9″	124·60	26′3″	94·25	24′5″	66·41	19′11″	28·85	26′4″	58·73	25′3″	34·04	21′6″	170·26
13th	...	...	...	24′11″	194·23	23′3½″	164·20	22′8″	124·51	26′3″	94·25	24′3″	66·25	19′10″	28·77	26′0½″	58·46	25′3″	34·04	21′1½″	169·86
14th	...	...	...	25′7″	194·90	22′11″	163·90	22′7″	124·43	26′1″	94·08	24′3″	66·25	19′10″	28·77	25′10″	58·25	25′3″	34·04	21′1½″	169·86
15th	...	...	...	25′11″	195·23	23′0″	164·00	22′6″	124·35	26′11″	94·91	24′1″	66·08	20′0″	28·94	25′8½″	58·10	25′2″	33·95	21′0″	170·26
16th	...	...	...	26′1″	195·40	23′2½″	163·20	22′6″	124·35	25′10″	93·83	24′0″	66·00	20′1″	29·02	25′7″	57·98	25′0″	33·79	22′1½″	170·86
17th	...	...	...	25′10″	195·15	23′3½″	163·30	22′9″	124·60	25′9″	93·75	23′10″	65·83	20′0″	28·94	23′4″	57·73	24′11½″	33·74	22′8½″	171·46
18th	...	...	...	25′9″	195·07	23′1½″	163·10	22′8″	124·51	25′8″	93·66	23′8″	65·66	20′0″	28·94	25′2″	57·56	24′10″	33·62	23′1″	171·86
19th	...	...	...	25′8″	194·98	22′11″	162·90	22′4″	124·18	25′7″	93·58	23′8″	65·66	20′0″	28·94	25′1½″	57·50	24′8″	33·45	23′3½″	172·06
20th	...	...	...	25′8″	194·98	22′8½″	162·70	22′2″	124·01	25′4″	93·33	23′7″	65·58	19′11″	28·85	24′11½″	57·35	24′6″	33·29	23′3½″	172·06
21st	...	...	...	25′6″	194·82	22′5″	162·40	21′8″	123·51	25′2″	93·16	23′5″	65·41	19′11″	28·85	24′10½″	57·29	24′4″	33·12	23′1½″	171·86
22nd	...	...	...	25′2″	194·48	21′9½″	161·80	21′1″	122·93	24′11″	92·91	23′5″	65·41	19′10″	28·77	24′0½″	57·21	24′3″	33·04	23′1½″	171·86
23rd	...	...	...	23′9″	183·67	21′3½″	161·30	20′4″	122·18	24′3″	92·25	22′11″	64·91	19′9″	28·69	24′7½″	57·02	24′3″	33·04	23′0″	171·76
24th	...	...	...	22′7″	191·99	20′8½″	160·70	19′5″	121·26	23′8″	91·66	22′9″	64·75	19′9″	28·69	24′4″	56·73	24′0½″	32·83	22′9½″	171·56
25th	...	...	...	21′6″	190·82	19′9½″	159·80	18′6″	120·35	23′0″	91·00	22′6″	64·50	19′9″	28·69	24′3½″	56·69	24′0″	32·79	22′3½″	171·06
26th	...	...	...	20′7″	189·90	19′3½″	159·30	18′1″	119·93	23′0″	91·00	22′4″	64·33	19′10″	28·77	24′2″	56·56	24′0″	32·79	21′11″	170·96
27th	...	...	...	20′2″	189·48	19′0″	158·50	17′9″	119·60	22′6″	90·50	22′1″	64·08	19′9½″	28·73	27′7″	56·98	24′0½″	32·83	21′2½″	169·96
28th	...	...	...	21′5″	190·73	20′2½″	160·20	18′0″	119·85	22′2″	90·16	21′9″	63·75	19′8″	28·60	24′8″	57·05	24′1½″	32·91	20′3½″	169·06
29th	...	...	...	28′8″	191·98	20′7½″	160·60	19′1″	120·93	22′4″	90·33	21′10″	63·83	19′8″	28·60	24′8½″	57·08	24′3″	33·04	19′9½″	168·56
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J. E. T. NICOLLS, *Colonel*, R.E.,
Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal, P. W. Department.

PRICES-CURRENT of Food-grains and Salt in the

QUANTITIES PER RUPEE IN

Number.	DISTRICTS.	Wheat. Present return.	Wheat. Next preceding return.	Wheat. Corresponding return of last year.	Barley. Present return.	Barley. Next preceding return.	Barley. Corresponding return of last year.	Rice, best sort. Present return.	Rice, best sort. Next preceding return.	Rice, best sort. Corresponding return of last year.	Rice, common. Present return.	Rice, common. Next preceding return.	Rice, common. Corresponding return of last year.	Bulrush Millet—Cumboo, Bajra. Present return.	Bulrush Millet—Cumboo, Bajra. Next preceding return.	Bulrush Millet—Cumboo, Bajra. Corresponding return of last year.
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	Western Districts.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.
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4	Midnapore	12 0	12 0	11 0	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	19 0	14 0 to 17 0	14 0 to 17 0	25 0	...	...	...
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15	Pubna	13 8	13 8	15 0	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	12 0	13 8	13 8	18 12	...	...	...
16	Darjeeling	6 0	6 0	6 0	5 0	7 0	7 0	4 0	4 8	4 8	8 0	8 0	12 0	...	...	...
17	Julpigoree	K 8 8	9 0	...	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	...	12 0	13 0	...	...	...	...
	Cooch Behar.*															
	Eastern Districts.															
18	Dacca.*															
19	Fureedpore	L 14 0	14 0	24 0	...	...	...	6 0	6 0	8 0	14 8	14 0	18 0	...	...	...
20	Backergunge	...	...	...	...	...	...	M 11 0	11 0	13 4	13 0	13 0	26 0	...	...	...
21	Mymensingh	N 10 8	10 12	12 0	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	16 0	12 8	12 8	18 0	...	...	...

* Return not received.

A In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 10 to 15 seers, barley 16 seers, best rice 10-8 to 12-11 seers, common rice 11-8 to 13-9 seers, and gram 16 to 17-12 seers per rupee.

B In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 12-8 to 13 seers, barley 12 to 22 seers, best rice 11 to 14 seers, common rice 12-8 to 17 seers, maize 12 to 30 seers, and gram 12-8 to 16 seers per rupee.

C In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 7-4 to 14 seers, barley 15 seers, best rice 9-8 to 13 seers, common rice 10-8 to 15 seers, maize 20 to 13 seers, and gram 12 to 16 seers per rupee.

D In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 12-8 to 13 seers, best rice 8 to 8-8 seers, common rice 11 to 12-8 seers, and gram 15 to 16 seers per rupee.

E In the interior only.

F In the interior prices range as follow:—Best rice 8 seers, common rice 11 to 15-4 seers, and gram 14-8 to 16 seers per rupee.

G Coarse rice at 12-13 seers per rupee.

H In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 7 to 13 seers, best rice 10 to 12 seers, common rice 11 to 16 seers, and gram 11 to 15 seers per rupee.

undermentioned Districts of Bengal on the 10th October 1874.

THE SEER OF 80 TOLAS.

Great Millet—Cholum, Jowar.			Lesser Millets—Ragi or Murwa, and Cheena.			Maize or Indian-corn.			Gram.			Fire-wood.			Salt.			DISTRICTS.
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
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																		BENGAL.
																		Western Districts
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...	...	...	...	...	...	26 4	27 0	32 8	15 0	15 8	20 0	440 0	440 0	360 0	8 4	8 2	8 0	Bankoora.
...	...	...	...	...	...	24 0	24 0	20 0	14 0	14 0	18 0	240 0	240 0	200 0	8 4	8 4	8 12	Beerbhoom.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14 0	14 0	15 0	180 0	180 0	180 0	8 4	8 4	8 0	Midnapore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 0	15 0	18 0	120 0	120 0	120 0	8 0	8 0	9 0	Hooghly.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 0	15 0	16 0	120 0	120 0	...	9 0	9 0	9 0	Howrah.
																		Central Districts.
																		Calcutta.*
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 4	15 4	16 13	100 0	100 0	120 0	8 11	8 11	8 10½	Nuddea.
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 8	13 8	15 0	170 0	170 0	98 7	7 12	7 12	7 4	Dinagepore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	24 0	24 0	20 0	16 0	16 0	19 0	120 0	120 0	140 0	8 0	8 0	7 8	Maldah.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 8 to 16 8	15 8 to 16 8	19 11	240 0	240 0	160 0	7 15½	7 15½	8 0	Rajshahye.
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																		Bogra.*
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 0	15 0	21 0	200 0	200 0	200 0	8 4	8 0	8 4	Pubna.
...	...	...	8 0	8 0	10 0	21 0	20 0	23 0	8 0	7 8	8 0	200 0	200 0	200 0	4 0	4 8	4 8	Darjeeling.
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																		Eastern Districts
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 0	13 0	13 8	100 0	100 0	160 0	8 0	8 0	8 4	Backergunge.
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I In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 14 to 14-8 seers, best rice 8 to 11 seers, common rice 11-8 to 14 seers, and gram 16 to 17 seers per rupee.

J Prices easier in the Bhowanigunge Sub-division.

K In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 9 to 10 seers, best rice 6 to 16 seers, common rice 7 to 20 seers, and gram 8 to 11 seers per rupee.

L In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 14 seers, best rice 10 seers, common rice 12-8 to 14 seers, and gram 13 to 14 seers per rupee.

M In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 11 to 11-4 seers, common rice 12 to 14 seers, paddy 22 to 23 seers, and gram 8 to 12 seers per rupee.

N In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 11 to 13 seers, best rice 8 to 12 seers, common rice 11 to 16 seers, and gram 9 to 13 seers per rupee.

O In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 11 to 13 seers, and common rice 12 to 15 seers per rupee.

PRICES-CURRENT of Food-grains and Salt in the undermentioned

Number.	DISTRICTS.	QUANTITIES PER RUPEE BY																	
		WHEAT.			BARLEY.			RICE, BEST SORT.			RICE, COMMON.			BULRUSH MILLET—CUMBOO, BAJRA.		
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	Eastern Districts—(Contd.)	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.
22	Chittagong.*															
23	Noakholly	...	...	...	...	...	...	O 10 8	10 8	16 0	12 0	12 0	22 0	...	...	...
24	Tipperah	11 0	11 0	12 0	...	...	...	9 0	9 0	19 0	12 8	12 8	25 0	...	...	...
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts	...	...	...	...	...	...	9 6	9 10	13 13	10 0	10 10	16 0	...	...	...
	Hill Tipperah.*															
	BEHAR.															
26	Patna	17 0	17 0	24 0	28 0	28 0	31 4	14 4	12 0	...	14 12	14 8	21 0	...	...	...
27	Gya	P 12 8	13 0	10 0	17 0	16 0	15 0	9 0	8 8	9 0	12 0	12 8	11 0	...	...	...
28	Shahabad	Q {14 8 to 16 0}	14 8	13 0	19 0	20 0	18 0	{10 8 and 11 0}	{10 8 and 11 0}	13 8	{11 8 and 12 0}	{11 8 and 12 0}	14 4	18 0	18 0	...
29	Tirhoot	R 13 8	13 8	10 0	18 8	18 8	20 0	6 8	6 8	13 8	14 0	14 0	15 8	...	...	...
30	Sarun	16 4	16 4	12 0	21 0	21 0	18 0	7 4	7 4	12 0	14 8	14 8	14 8	...	...	...
31	Chumparun	S 11 8	11 8	16 0	18 8	18 8	33 0	8 0	8 0	12 0	18 8	18 8	18 0	...	...	...
32	Monghyr.*															
33	Bhagulpore	15 12	15 12	12 10	20 3	22 11	20 3	10 11	11 0	10 11	13 4	12 10	13 4	...	...	...
34	Purneah	15 0	15 0	12 0	...	...	...	12 8	12 0	13 0	17 0	17 0	14 0	...	...	...
35	Sonthal Pergunnahs	T 13 0	13 0	10 0	E {17 0 and 18 0}	17 0 and 18 0	20 0 to 27 0	9 0	9 0	16 0	10 0	10 0	18 0	E 17 0	17 0	28 0
	ORISSA.															
36	Cuttack.*															
37	Pooree	13 2	13 2	14 7	...	...	...	17 1	17 1	24 14	23 10	23 10	34 6	...	...	...
38	Balasore.†	10 0	10 0	12 0	...	...	...	16 0	16 0	16 0	21 0	21 0	32 0	...	...	...
	CHOTA NAGPORE.															
	South-West Frontier Agency.															
39	Hazareebagh	11 4	11 0	12 0	E 18 0	...	18 0	9 0	9 0	10 0	{14 0 to 16 0}	15 0	14 0	...	...	...
40	Lohardugga	11 0	11 0	13 0	17 0	18 0	...	18 0	16 0	12 8	18 0	22 0	14 0	...	...	...
41	Singbhoom†	11 0	11 0	18 0	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	15 0	22 0	22 0	20 0	...	...	...
42	Manbhoom	U 11 0	11 0	13 0	E {16 0 to 20 0}	{16 0 to 20 0}	30 0	9 8	9 8	14 0	14 0	14 0	18 0	E 17 0	17 0	40 0

* Return not received.

† Return for the next preceding week received after publication of last *Gazette*.

P In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 13 to 15-8 seers, barley 19 to 22 seers, best rice 12 seers and common rice 13 to 16 seer lesser millet 30 to 32-8 seers, maize 23-8 to 27 seers, and gram 15-12 to 18 seers per rupee.

Q In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 13 to 14-12 seers, barley 16 to 20 seers, best rice 8 to 10 seers, common rice 12 to 15 seers, bulrush millet 17 seers, great millet 19 seers, lesser millet 18 to 19-8 seers, maize 17 to 20 seers, and gram 15-8 to 19 seers per rupee.

CALCUTTA,
The 13th October 1874.

Districts of Bengal on the 10th October 1874—(Continued.)

THE SEER OF 80 TOLAS.

Great Millet—Cholum, Jowar.			Lesser Millets—Ragi or Murwa, and Cheena.			Maize or Indian-corn.			Gram.			Fire-wood.			Salt.			Districts.
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	
																		Eastern Districts—(Contd.)
																		Chittagong.*
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	13 8	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	8 12	Tipperah.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	280 0	280 0	320 0	6 6	6 6	6 10	Chittagong Hill Tracts.
																		Hill Tipperah.*
																		BEHAR.
24 0	22 0	...	...	...	...	23 0	22 0	34 8	24 0	24 0	34 8	160 0	160 0	...	7 8	7 8	8 0	Patna.
...	...	...	22 8	22 8	14 0	21 0	21 0	13 0	16 0	15 0	13 0	180 0	180 0	...	7 4	7 4	7 8	Gya.
21 0	21 0	...	21 0	21 0	...	21 0	20 0	19 0	19 0 and 19 8	19 0 and 20 0	23 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	Shahabad.
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20 0	20 0	23 0	22 0	22 0	27 0	22 0	20 8	23 0	19 8	19 8	19 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	7 12	7 12	8 0	Sarun.
...	...	...	29 0	32 0	40 0	28 0	28 0	38 0	18 0	18 0	26 0	...	...	...	7 4	7 8	6 12	Chumparun.
																		Monghyr.*
...	...	...	E 26 0 to 32 0	26 0 to 32 0	19 0 to 60 0	24 0	24 0	21 7	19 9	19 9	20 3	151 8	151 8	176 12	7 14	7 14	8 3	Bhagulpore.
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...	...	...	...	...	...	35 0	35 0	40 0	17 0	17 0	18 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	7 8	7 8	8 0	Sonthal Pergunnahs
																		ORISSA.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21 0	21 0	21 0	100 0	100 0	105 0	12 0	12 0	10 0	Cuttack.* Pooree.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 8	10 8	10 0	280 0	280 0	280 0	8 0	8 0	7 0	Balasore.†
																		CHOTA NAGPORE.
																		South-West Frontier Agency.
...	...	...	30 0	36 0	24 0	24 0	28 0	21 0	14 0	14 8	13 8	200 0	200 0	200 0	7 0	7 0	6 8	Hazareebagh.
...	...	...	43 0	36 0	29 0	37 0	38 0	...	16 0	17 0	15 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	6 8	6 8	6 8	Lohardugga.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	20 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	Singbhoom.†
...	...	...	64 0	...	...	32 0	36 0	40 0	13 4	13 0	19 0	240 0	240 0	240 0	7 8	7 8	7 4	Manbhoom.

R In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 11 to 16 seers, barley 15 to 24 seers, best rice 9 to 15 seers, common rice 9 to 24 seers, lesser millet 20 to 59 seers, maize 16-12 to 35 seers, and gram 14 to 20 seers per rupee.

S In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 11 to 13-8 seers, barley 16 to 22 seers, best rice 10 to 13-8 seers, common rice 15 to 26 seers, lesser millet 16 to 40 seers, maize 16-8 to 35 seers, and gram 13-8 to 20 seers per rupee.

T In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 15 to 17 seers, best rice 9-8 to 13 seers, common rice 10 to 14 seers, maize 30 to 50 seers and gram 15 to 18 seers per rupee.

U In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 11-8 to 13 seers, best rice 12 to 22 seers, common rice 13 to 24 seers, lesser millet 45 seers, maize 24 to 60 seers, and gram 10 to 16 seers per rupee.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, State and Prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 10th October 1874.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVISION. 1	Burdwan, 12th* Oct. 1874	·93	Rainfall at Jehanabad nil, at Raneegunge 1·24, at Cutwa ·32, at Culna ·22, at Bood-Bood ·24. Prospects of crops good in Jehanabad and parts of Sudder Subdivision, south of the Damoodah. Accounts from the north of the district not so good. Fever as before.
2	Bankoora, 10th „ „	2·48	Heavy rain on the 4th, and slight showers during the rest of the week. Prospects as favorable as can be wished for. Crops quite safe.
3	Beerbhoom, 10th „ „	0·60	Clear weather. State and prospects of crops continue good. Prices falling.
4	Midnapore, 10th „ „	1·60	Frequent but partial rains during the greater portion of the week. In the south-east of the district, where the Collector has been during the week, the prospects are excellent, such as he has not known for years. In the west a full crop is expected. Except in a few scattered tracts of 10 to 30 square miles that have been exceptionally unfortunate, the prospects of the amun or late rice crop are everywhere above the average.
5	Hooghly, 10th „ „	0·79	Cloudy and sunshiny. Wind from north-east and south-east. Rainfall at Serampore 1·07, Chunditolla 2·65, Hurripal ·10. Prospects of the late rice same as last week. The showers which have fallen have benefited the growing crops.
	Howrah, 10th „ „	1·12	Alternate rain and sunshine. The aous or early rice harvest has been reaped. The crop has been good and was planted over a much larger area than usual. Good crop of jute has also been gathered. The weather has been very favorable for the amun or late rice crop, which is doing well. In Jugutbullubpore, however much land has been left uncultivated owing to scanty rainfall in that thana.
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVISION. 6	24-Pergunnahs, 12th† Oct. 1874.	0·90	Close, with occasional light showers. The prospects of the late rice are generally favorable. Aous or early rice harvest almost finished. Ordinary fever still prevails in Busseerhat. The epidemic fever at Barripore has not yet died out.
7	Nuddea, 10th Oct. 1874	0·03	Slight showers everywhere. The prospects remain unchanged. The floods are now going down everywhere, and have entirely done more good than harm on the whole, though of course individuals have suffered losses. Prices show a decided downward tendency everywhere, except at Kooshtea, where they have risen a little in some parts.
8	Jessore, 10th „ „	·31	Generally clear. Rainfall slight. Wind variable, but mostly from the south. The prospects of the rice crop continue promising. The inundation which did some damage in the north and east of the district has left a deposit on the soil which will be very beneficial to the cold weather crops.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 9	Moorshedabad, 10th Oct. 1874.	0·08	Seasonable weather; cloudy and hot occasionally. Some good showers in most parts of the district during the week. The weather has been very favorable for the crops, but more rain is wanted for late transplantations. With more rainfall the average outturn of the district will probably be little below the average. The Bhagiruthee has commenced to rise again, and some of the sowings for the cold weather crops will probably be injured if the rise continues. Prices almost stationary. Cholera prevails in Goas in the east part of the district.
10	Dinagepore, 8th Oct. 1874.	·91	A few slight showers in some places. The prospects of the winter crop continues excellent. Sugarcane also looking well. The ryots are beginning to break up land for cold weather crops.
11	Maldah, 10th Oct. 1874	1·51	There were two heavy showers of rain on Sunday and Friday; the rest of the days were fair and sunny. Clouds still hang about. The prospects of the late rice crop are very good. Kalai (pulse) and sarisa (mustard) sowings going on. Some slight damage has been done to the former by a rise in the Mohanunda. The asina or early winter rice is nearly ripe.
12	Rajshahye, 10th „ „	0·99	The rain of the last week has been moderate; in some quarters there has been more. The winter rice crops are doing well everywhere. Other crops also promise well. The late inundation did some damage to urhur (pulse) and sugarcane, though not to any great extent.

* Telegram of the 12th October, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

† Report of the 12th October, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

	No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.—(*Contd.*)				
		Central Districts.—(Contd.)		
RAJSHAHYE DIVS.	13	Rungpore, 9th Oct. 1874	0·16	Weather hot. Favorable reports of the rice crops owing to the fine weather. The ground is being got ready for cold weather crops.
	14	Bogra	.....	Return not received.
	15	Pubna, 10th Oct. 1874	0·82	Slight rainfall on the 9th, and the weather is rather cool. Water has considerably subsided, and the prospects of amun or late rice, turmeric, urhur (pulse) and sugarcane continue promising. Fever much lessened.
COOCH BEHAR DIVS.	16	Darjeeling, 9th „ „	2·22	There was not much rain during the week, except on Sunday, when it came down very heavily. All the crops are progressing very favorably; the reports from the plains of this district are particularly favorable.
	17	Julpigoree, 9th „ „	1·10	Fine hot weather, with occasional showers and heavy dews. Prospects of all crops could not be better.
		Cooch Behar, 9th „ „	·08	Fine weather. A little rain in some parts. In the low grounds some of the rice crop has been destroyed by the last flood, but, on the whole, the heavy rain of last month has been very beneficial, and prospects are very good.
		Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVISION.	18	Dacca, 12th* Oct. 1874	0·57	Seasonable weather; state of crops good. Rivers falling. Fever reported.
	19	Fureedpore, 10th „ „	·24	Clear and sunny throughout the week, with occasional light showers. The rivers are steadily falling. The late rice crop continues in a very promising condition all over the district. The price of coarse rice has slightly fallen at Fureedpore, and is stationary at Bhaugah, Gopalgunge, and Madareepore, but has risen a little at Goalundo.
	20	Backergunge, 8th Oct. 1874.	·28	Muggy and warm. Mornings cool; occasional showers of rain. State and prospects of crops very good.
	21	Mymensingh, 9th Oct. 1874.	0·25	The rain in the most of the district has amounted to nearly 2 inches during the week. The reports of the late rice crop are favorable throughout the district, although some fields are very backward for the season.
CHITTAGONG DIVS.	22	Chittagong, 8th Oct. 1874.	3·79	There was heavy and general rain on Friday night, and again on the night of the 7th; the rest of the week was fine and sunny. Transplanting is over, and the late rice now only requires rain during the rest of the month to turn out a good crop. Some little damage has been done by spring tides towards Cox's Bazar. Cattle disease prevalent in Harbang.
	23	Noakholly, 8th Oct. 1874	2·9	Weather generally fair, with some rain on the 7th. The late aous rice, *Giring*, *Lamboori* and *Raja shail* are fit for reaping; more rain is wanted for the late rice crop.
	24	Tipperah, 9th „ „	3·90	Rainfall at sub-division, 1·28. Hot and still during the first part of the week, then heavy rain on Wednesday night and Thursday morning. The state of the amun or late rice crop is reported as promising from all parts of the district.
	25	Chittagong Hill Tracts, 6th Oct. 1874.	1·45	Occasional falls of rain during the first part of the week; dry and hot during the latter part. Foggy on the morning of the 6th. The joom paddy harvest is nearly completed. The outturn is said to be an average one. Cotton plants are doing fairly. Cucumber, melons, &c., &c., are sold in local markets. Mustard land is now being ploughed. Prospects fair.
		Hill Tipperah	.....	Return not received.
BEHAR.				
PATNA DIVS.	26	Patna, 12th* Oct. 1874	3·60	Weather fine; mornings and evenings getting cool. Crops flourishing throughout the district. Health good.
	27	Gya, 10th „ „	0·73	Fine weather. Everything prosperous. Health good.
	28	Shahabad, 10th „ „	1·11	Stormy, with rain at the beginning of the week; prevailing wind, east. The weather has since cleared, and is now sunny, with west wind. The prospects of the crops continue very good. The heavy rain which fell during the week has done no harm to the late rice; it has to a certain extent retarded the preparation of the lands for the rubbee or cold-weather crop sowings, but the present clear and bright weather is all that could be wished.

* Telegrams of the 12th October, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BEHAR.—(*Contd.*)			
PATNA DIVISION.—(*Contd.*)			
29	Tirhoot, 10th Oct. 1874	.....	Hot and sometimes cloudy. Seetamurhee Sub-division.—There was a passing shower on the 4th; a fall of ½ inch. Nothing new about the state of crops to report; the prospects continue fair. The cultivators are preparing the maize and millet lands for the winter crops. The rivers that rose have gone down; the public health is good Mudhubani Sub-division.—The prospects of the paddy crop most excellent. Weather as good as desired. Agriculturists are preparing lands for the rubbee crops. Durbhangah Sub-division.—The Bagmatti and Kamla overflowing their banks submerged the west of Thana, causing some anxiety. The waters have all submerged, however, without doing any material injury to the rice crop, which is generally looking well. The inundations have benefited the rubbee lands. In Hajeepore Sub-division everything looks as well as could possibly be wished, and there is now at Hajeepore good moisture for next year. Report from Tajpore has not been received. Sudder Sub-division.—There have been very heavy inundations from Little Gunduk and Bagmatti, which are now subsiding slowly. Though the floods will benefit the rubbee lands and high dhan lands, it is feared that the crops in the low lands have been somewhat injured. In the western part of the sub-division prospects are improving.
30	Sarun, 10th „ „	·70	Weather sometimes cloudy, and at times clear and seasonable; both east and west wind. Rain more or less general throughout the district, varying from ·70 at Chuprah to 1·54 at Sewan. The bhadoi or early crops have been harvested, and coming into the markets more generally. The outturn of the crops, owing to the destructive inundations in parts, and unfavorable weather elsewhere, has probably not been more than 9 or 10 annas all round. The recent rain has saved the standing rice crop, and will ensure good "rubbee" or cold weather crops; still it may be doubted whether, taking into consideration the area of rice lands not planted out, and the losses in consequence of the previous drought, the yield of the "aughani" rice can now exceed from 8 to 10 annas over the whole district. In thana Dighwarah fields are being prepared for the "rubbee" sowings. Prices (Indian-corn excepted) steady. Some cases of cholera in Aligunge.
31	Chumparun, 9th „ „	0·60	Hot and sunny, with occasional showers. The rains still continue. All crops and sowings of the year are secure.
BHAGULPORE DIVN.			
32	Monghyr, 10th „ „	0·28	Fair weather. No change since last week; the prospects of the rice crop continue good.
33	Bhagulpore, 12th* „ „	·41	Rainfall at Banka ·45, Soopool ·17, Muddehpoora ·80. Aughani crops are so far magnificent. General health very good.
34	Purneah, 10th „ „	0·77	Cloudy, with occasional showers. Everything as prosperous as could be desired.
35	Sonthal Pergunnahs, 10th Oct. 1874.	1·89	Godda and Deoghur returns not received. Rajmehal rainfall 2·4. Prospects of all crop are excellent everywhere. Large quantites of Kartick rice in ear and flower. Fields full of water. Late rice flourishing. Weather warm; more rain likely.
ORISSA.			
ORISSA DIVISION.			
36	Cuttack, 12th* Oct. 1874	2·79	Rainfall at Jajpore 8 inches. Weather clear, with occasional violent storms. Beali rice being reaped. Sarud rice growing well. Health good.
37	Pooree, 8th „ „	·15	Cloudy and hot. The early rice crop has been nearly half reaped, with an outturn of three-fourths of an ordinary average crop, and the other half is ripening on the unflooded parts of the district; and the crop on the inundated places has been lost, and has been succeeded by cultivation of pulses. The laghu or the first late rice crop is coming into ear, and the sarud or the second late and main rice crop is being weeded and also transplanted in the inundated places. The transplanted plants, as well as those saved from the floods, are being destroyed by caterpillars, which are cutting off the shoots. The crop on the unflooded parts is doing well, and is expected to yield three-fourths of an ordinary average crop. Pulses are being sown, and the present weather is favorable to their cultivation. More rain is shortly expected and required. Prices are stationary.
38	Balasore, 9th „ „	4·33	The weather is showery, with intervals of strong sun. Rain has fallen during few days of the week. The fall at Bhuddruck has been 2·6. Prospects are highly favorable, and even a very moderate rainfall during the remainder of the month will secure the safety of the crop. The crop newly transplanted in low inundated lands is doing well.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
39	Hazareebagh, 9th Oct. 1874.	4·16	The apparently settled weather of the week before changed entirely, and exceedingly heavy rain has fallen. Rain is no longer required, but no damage, to speak of, has as yet been occasioned by it. Fine weather now would still ensure a bumper crop.

* Telegrams of the 12th October, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
CHOTA NAGPORE.—(*Contd.*)			
	South-West Frontier Agency.—(Contd.)		
40	Lohardugga, 10th Oct. 1874.	4·44	Wet and stormy. The prospects of the late rice crop are all that could be desired, and the crop may now be considered safe. Ploughing for the cold weather crops is now going on. In Palamow, the cotton has been somewhat injured by the late heavy rain. General health, fair.
41	Singbhoom, 9th Oct. 1874.	1·95	Alternately sunshine and cloudy throughout the week. The condition of the crops is excellent; but fair weather is now required, as there has been as much rain as was needed. Fever very prevalent. In other respects the condition of the people is good.
42	Manbhoom, 11th Oct. 1874.	1·32	Favourable weather. The weather during the last week has been all that could be desired, and it now may be stated that the main crop of rice is safe. Rain would still do good; but if there is no more, still the crop will be a good average one. In Govindpore Sub-division the crops will be a full one; all other crops on the ground are also doing well.

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The 13th October 1874.

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Weekly Report of Rainfall, compiled at the Meteorological Reporter's Office, and comparison of the Rainfall for September, and the total Rainfall for the year up to the 30th September, with averages of past years.

Division.	District.	Station.	Rain from 20th to 26th Sept. 1874.	Rain from 27th Sept. to 3rd Oct. 1874.	Rain from 1st January 1874. Inches.	Rain from 1st January 1874. Up to date.	Rainfall, Sept. 1874.	Normal rainfall in Sept.	Rainfall from 1st Jan. to 30th Sept. 1874.	Rainfall from 1st Jan. to 30th Sept. Normal.
BENGAL.			Inches.	Inches.		1874.				
	Western Districts.									
Burdwan	Burdwan	Burdwan	1·64	0·48	50·83	3rd Oct.	7·05	8·48	50·83	52·72
		Cutwa	0·62	Not rec.	41·97	26th Sept.	.....	7·60	.....	.....
		Culna	0·87	0·22	39·76	3rd Oct.	4·79	6·20	39·54	.....
		Bood-bood	3·31	0·53	45·51	ditto	8·09	6·91	45·51	.....
		Raneegunge	2·11	1·45	35·16	ditto	4·11	8·91	34·24	49·62
		Jehanabad	2·22	3·53	41·92	ditto	12·64	.....	41·92	.....
	Bankoora	Bankoora	0·98	0·84	44·15	ditto	5·05	7·91	44·04	47·60
	Beerbhoom	Sooree	11·96	1·91	62·21	ditto	21·63	8·21	62·21	47·31
	Midnapore	Midnapore	2·89	1·49	38·74	ditto	7·09	9·11	37·32	53·91
		Tumlook	2·72	Nil	46·25	ditto	5·42	.....	46·25	.....
		Gurbeta	5·97	0·14	50·27	ditto	13·30	.....	50·20	.....
		Contai (Dy. Collr.'s Office)	3·87	3·65	66·09	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Contai (Exe. Engr.'s Office)	4·10	Not rec.	66·70	26th Sept.	.....	12·48	.....	57·54
	Hooghly	Hooghly	1·43	0·07	31·72	3rd Oct.	6·43	8·77	31·65	61·31
		Serampore	2·01	1·14	42·63	ditto	9·98	.....	42·43	.....
	Howrah	Howrah	2·52	1·76	37·43	ditto	9·71	10·86	37·19	63·96
	Central Districts.									
Presidency	24-Pergunnahs	Saugor Island	2·90	1·20	58·84	ditto	8·00	14·30	57·64	64·28
		Calcutta	3·41	2·89	47·76	ditto	12·67	10·36	47·65	59·82
		Alipore (Dispensary)	3·90	2·70	50·44	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Alipore (Jail)	3·64	1·93	47·82	ditto	13·82	.....	47·32	.....
		Busseerhaut	1·69	1·09	34·99	ditto	2·67	7·93	34·30	.....
		Baraset	1·31	1·33	40·42	ditto	7·36	7·91	40·08	.....
		Diamond Harbour	4·87	0·87	51·41	ditto	10·41	7·45	51·10	.....
		Barripore	5·16	1·32	45·08	ditto	9·77	10·00	44·61	.....
		Satkhira	2·41	1·83	36·11	ditto	8·63	8·28	35·85	.....
		Barrackpore	2·06	0·97	41·45	ditto	9·56	7·54	41·27	.....
		Dum-Dum	2·40	0·80	39·40	ditto	10·10	5·86	38·66	.....
	Nuddea	Kishnaghur	0·65	0·59	45·14	ditto	10·42	8·73	45·00	50·94
		Bongong	1·05	0·47	33·24	ditto	4·49	7·15	33·06	49·34
		Meherpore	1·17	0·69	43·84	ditto	8·08	7·17	43·49	.....
		Chooadangah	1·90	2·63	45·93	ditto	9·42	7·27	43·45	.....
		Kooshtea	3·84	1·05	47·21	ditto	11·45	8·32	46·63	48·90
		Ranaghut	2·25	0·32	41·89	ditto	7·33	8·75	41·57	.....
	Jessore	Jessore	2·97	0·52	46·37	ditto	8·83	5·68	46·06	58·04
		Narail	1·02	0·88	47·96	ditto	9·83	9·14	47·67	.....
		Khoolna	2·25	0·90	47·93	ditto	9·75	.....	47·83	.....
		Jhenida	2·68	0·70	48·79	ditto	9·67	.....	48·26	.....
		Bagirhat	1·23	2·28	47·63	ditto	8·66	.....	46·88	.....
		Magoorah	3·45	1·30	46·30	ditto	12·16	...	45·61	.....
Rajshahye	Moorshedabad	Berhampore	1·68	1·91	40·05	ditto	11·25	9·35	39·68	47·57
		Rampore Haut*	11·25	1·44	56·18	ditto	...	.....	.....	.....
		City Moorshedabad	2·36	5·48	43·48	ditto	9·12	.....	42·27	.....
		Jungipore	5·35	Not rec.	53·16	26th Sept.	16·30	.....	53·70	.....
		Azimgunge	2·44	0·73	42·59	3rd Oct.	6·71	.....	42·27	.....
		Lalgolla	3·80	1·47	49·94	ditto	19·12	.....	49·72	.....
	Dinagepore	Dinagepore	6·61	3·42	66·61	ditto	17·73	12·91	65·70	75·47
	Maldah	Maldah	10·07	2·24	58·18	ditto	23·14	10·16	57·69	47·08
	Rajshahye	Beauleah	5·35	2·10	47·45	ditto	16·39	10·61	47·06	53·76
		Nattore	4·28	2·86	68·17	ditto	18·66	11·58	68·17	.....
	Rungpore	Rungpore	6·88	1·40	80·44	ditto	18·35	11·80	80·33	79·89
		Bhowanigunge	5·22	2·85	62·68	ditto	19·14	.....	62·68	.....
		Titalya	4·90	7·12	115·34	ditto	39·76	19·70	114·94	.....
	Bogra	Bogra	5·19	1·78	78·12	ditto	16·50	14·58	76·54	77·64
	Pubna	Pubna	4·61	0·68	51·10	ditto	10·84	12·21	50·57	65·46
		Serajgunge	1·61	Not rec.	50·51	26th Sept.	.....	10·54	.....	.....
Cooch Behar	Darjeeling	Darjeeling (Telegraph Office)	Not rec.	ditto	96·58	15th Sept.	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Darjeeling (Hospital)	7·67	6·10	104·33	3rd Oct.	26·08	17·00	104·33	113·18
	Julpigoree	Julpigoree	8·42	8·23	138·28	ditto	56·49	21·48	138·01	121·13
		Bodah	7·90	2·63	144·33	ditto	29·80	17·28	114·33	.....
		Buxa (Commissioner's Office†)	9·58	5·83	211·83	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Buxa (Civil Surgeon's „)	8·27	6·74	220·55	ditto	45·79	35·65	218·11	226·56
	Cooch Behar Tributary State	Cooch Behar	8·93	2·61	147·18	ditto	33·06	.....	147·18	.....

* Not received 13th to 19th September.

† From 12th April.

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BENGAL.—(*Continued.*)										
	Eastern Districts.		Inches.	Inches.		1874.				
Dacca.	Dacca	Dacca ... Telegraph Office ...	2·14	0·98	47·76	3rd Oct.	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Dacca ... Hospital	2·05	Not rec.	47·86	26th Sept.	.....	8·75	.....	67·00
		Moonsheegunge ...	4·05	ditto	58·96	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Manickgunge ...	4·30	ditto	48·28	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Fureedpore	Fureedpore ...	1·75	8·84	64·44	3rd Oct.	21·13	8·57	64·38	68·32
		Goalundo ...	2·12	2·21	48·80	ditto	14·23	.....	48·52	.....
		Madaripore ...	1·89	0·54	59·84	ditto	11·33	8·23	59·73	.....
	Backergunge	Burrisal ...	3·26	0·43	58·53	ditto	11·05	11·00	58·25	69·97
		Ferozepore ...	3·95	3·60	46·56	ditto	13·45	9·17	45·36	.....
		Patoakhally ...	2·57	2·29	71·71	ditto	5·48	.....	69·57	.....
		Dowlatkhan ...								
	Mymensingh	Mymensingh ...	3·55	3·06	76·24	ditto	7·35	13·11	75·58	.....
		Jamalpore ...	2·17	0·36	69·94	ditto	12·99	13·53	69·94	93·57
		Atia ...	1·18	3·03	57·31	ditto	12·54	15·71	57·20	.....
		Kishoregunge ...	3·15	2·25	49·73	ditto	14·65	12·36	48·58	.....
			2·33	0·40	63·68	ditto	13·63	17·54	63·30	.....
	Sylhet	Sylhet ...	2·88	2·59	136·35	ditto	28·90	16·77	135·08	143·32
Chittagong.	Chittagong	Chittagong Telegraph Office	2·30	5·30	80·99	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Chittagong Jail ...	2·41	5·36	77·06	ditto	15·79	12·93	74·31	95·54
		Cox's Bazar ...	1·04	6·18	95·65	ditto	12·17	15·67	92·05	.....
	Noakholly	Noakholly ...	2·64	1·91	95·11	ditto	18·15	15·82	93·92	92·71
	Tipperah	Comillah ...	0·61	2·57	66·03	ditto	9·80	10·14	63·77	83·91
		Brahmunberiah ...	3·23	2·08	47·92	ditto	7·54	13·49	46·81	.....
	Chittagong Hill Tracts	Rungamatee Hill	1·88	4·54	66·59	ditto	13·58	11·04	65·38	81·91
	Hill Tipperah	Hill Tipperah ...	2·43	2·25	56·64	ditto	9·22	.....	55·84	.....
BEHAR.										
Patna.	Patna	Patna ...	3·54	2·88	44·83	ditto	11·98	6·84	44·71	34·51
		Behar ...	1·83	4·91	41·07	ditto	7·97	5·80	41·04	.....
		Barh ...	1·94	8·56	38·81	ditto	11·46	7·41	37·95	.....
		Dinapore ... Jail	2·80	3·50	48·90	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Dinapore ... Cantonment ...	2·60	2·85	48·02	ditto	11·25	8·65	48·02	.....
	Gya	Gya ...	1·42	2·29	43·58	ditto	6·10	6·89	43·58	39·26
		Nowadah ...	2·74	4·05	54·24	ditto	10·91	7·99	54·24	.....
		Arungabad ...	1·16	0·38	57·81	ditto	12·86	5·75	57·81	.....
		Jehanabad ...	1·70	2·22	48·23	ditto	7·68	.....	48·23	.....
	Shahabad	Arrah ...	0·90	4·69	52·48	ditto	13·07	10·01	52·48	45·25
		Sasseram ...	0·38	0·31	44·19	ditto	3·78	7·16	44·19	.....
		Buxar ...	1·73	3·63	44·64	ditto	7·45	8·50	44·64	37·97
		Bhuboosh ...	2·57	0·65	60·50	ditto	8·75	7·48	60·50	.....
	Tirhoot	Mozufferpore ...	2·25	5·63	39·55	ditto	10·60	8·44	39·55	40·01
		Durbhunga ...	2·82	5·26	53·55	ditto	17·59	.....	53·55	.....
		Hajeepore ...	3·36	3·55	45·98	ditto	10·24	.....	45·53	.....
		Mudhoobunnee ...	5·95	9·26	52·76	ditto	23·60	.....	52·75	.....
		Seetamurhee ...	3·53	7·26	42·65	ditto	16·45	.....	42·65	.....
		Tajpore ...	3·53	4·20	40·98	ditto	11·55	.....	40·58	.....
	Sarun	Chupra ...	0·95	Not rec.	37·87	26th Sept.	.....	7·08	.....	35·10
		Sewan ...	0·59	ditto	36·00	ditto	.....	14·03	.....	.....
	Chumparun	Motiharee ...	2·94	8·08	46·33	3rd Oct.	16·15	7·57	46·33	42·14
		Bettiah ...	1·18	9·42	54·23	ditto	16·24	.....	54·23	.....
Bhagulpore.	Monghyr	Monghyr ...	3·48	3·70	53·24	ditto	13·07	7·68	53·11	36·65
		Begoo Serai ...	4·40	2·35	30·85	ditto	9·32	7·54	30·69	.....
		Jamoosee ...	2·79	3·13	45·87	ditto	8·13	7·55	45·87	.....
	Bhagulpore	Bhagulpore ...	5·22	1·47	45·16	ditto	8·89	7·93	45·07	42·74
		Soopool ...	2·99	7·18	63·38	ditto	20·31	.....	63·38	.....
		Muddehpoora ...	4·40	6·40	63·88	ditto	23·60	10·13	63·48	.....
		Banka ...	5·08	1·81	48·05	ditto	12·33	10·14	47·84	.....
		Sanborsa ...	2·48	11·87	65·05	ditto	25·95	.....	65·05	.....
	Purneah	Purneah ...	7·40	2·14	66·47	ditto	17·91	11·95	66·24	57·88
		Kissengunge ...	9·59	2·58	89·57	ditto	21·05	.....	88·95	.....
		Arrareah ...	8·41	6·06	87·38	ditto	23·79	.....	86·49	.....
	Sonthal Pergunnahs	Deoghur ...	4·85	2·32	53·44	ditto	17·38	7·20	52·76	41·20
		Rajmehal ...	8·20	3·30	47·20	ditto	19·20	12·85	47·20	43·83
		Nya Doomka ...	4·56	0·20	52·79	ditto	13·32	.....	52·78	.....
		Godda ...	6·52	Not rec.	42·52	26th Sept.	.....	.....	.....	.....

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ORISSA.			Inches.	Inches.		1874.				
Orissa.	Cuttack ...	Cuttack ... Telegraph Office	1·60	0·80	59·86	3rd Oct.	...	.....	.....	.....
		Cuttack ... Hospital ...	2·24	0·85	73·81	ditto	12·13	8·81	73·78	45·37
		Jajpore	2·30	1·40	51·85	ditto	10·10	.....	51·45	.....
		Kendrapara	1·90	2·50	41·20	ditto	6·20	.....	41·00	.....
		Jugatsingpore	2·40	0·20	41·10	ditto	3·70	.....	41·10	56·12
		False Point	2·85	1·45	61·36	ditto	9·50	11·16	60·91	45·14
	Pooree	Pooree	1·16	0·86	44·46	ditto	4·87	9·41	44·46	.....
		Khoordah	1·61	1·44	61·92	ditto	11·44	9·36	61·92	57·50
	Balasore	Balasore	3·35	1·12	43·67	ditto	7·60	13·32	42·82	.....
		Bhuddruck	2·88	1·22	49·25	ditto	12·37	7·61	48·97	.....
		Jellasore	5·70	2·17	63·70	ditto	12·81	.....	61·95	.....
		Sorah	1·96	3·73	55·76	ditto	10·56	.....	53·16	.....
		Chandbally	1·96	0·80	45·57	ditto	6·14	.....	45·39	46·37
	Cuttack Tributary Mehals	Sambalpore	2·17	0·48	65·57	ditto	5·06	7·31	65·57	48·14
CHOTA NAGPORE.										
South-Western Frontier Agency.										
	Hazareebagh ...	Hazareebagh ... Jail ...	1·65	1·02	50·85	ditto	8·01	8·64	50·85	.....
		Hazareebagh ... Dispensary ...	2·27	1·00	56·36	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Pachumba	2·15	1·70	51·39	ditto	11·27	7·99	50·09	.....
	Lohardugga ...	Ranchee	1·34	0·58	52·77	ditto	9·85	7·24	52·77	40·38
		Palamow	0·85	0·50	62·65	ditto	10·20	8·60	62·65	.....
	Singbhoom ...	Chyebassa	1·68	3·41	53·74	ditto	10·59	10·22	53·73	46·48
	Manbhoom ...	Purulia	1·43	3·09	45·76	ditto	17·07	6·18	45·30	38·97
		Govindpore	2·44	0·91	52·80	ditto	8·88	.....	52·11	.....
ASSAM & ADJACENT HILLS.										
	Cachar ...	Koyah	0·90	1·68	101·24	ditto	12·41	.....	100·47	.....
	Seebsaugor ...	Seebsaugor	0·25	Not rec.	118·56	26th Sept.	.....	11·26	.....	86·11
		Golaghât	0·82	ditto	87·49	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Jorehaut	1·90	ditto	100·12	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Nazeerah	0·21	ditto	114·40	ditto	.....	10·62	.....	78·93
		Deopanie	0·38	ditto	94·71	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Hattiepootie	0·27	ditto	103·45	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Suntock	0·20	ditto	123·72	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Mazengah	1·23	ditto	107·06	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Cherideo	0·22	ditto	119·00	ditto	.....	.....	.....	.....
		Benares	1·10	3·99	58·92	3rd Oct	8·37	7·95	58·92	35·07
		Akyab	3·70	7·90	127·40	ditto	18·45	25·29	124·65	100·30

NOTE ON THE RAINFALL OF SEPTEMBER 1874.

The rainfall in September has been equal to, or above, the average in Orissa and in Chota Nagpore; above average, generally, throughout Behar, and abnormally heavy in the districts north of the Ganges and in Bhagulpore and the Sonthal Pergunnahs.

Throughout Bengal Proper, with some exceptions in the Burdwan and Presidency Divisions, the September rains have been considerably in excess of the average for the month, and very heavy in the districts of Rajshahye north of the Ganges, and in Cooch Behar.

The rainfall for the month has thus generally been abundant and very favorably distributed, unusually heavy rains having extended in many cases over whole districts where the previous rainfall had been very deficient. On the whole, September has been the wettest month of the season in Bengal.

CALCUTTA,
The 10th October 1874.

W. G. WILLSON,
Offg. Meteorological Reporter to the Govt. of Bengal.

Meteorological Telegraphic Report for the period, 4th to 10th October 1874.

Station.	Date.	Hour.	Barometer reduced to 32°.	Barometer reduced to sea-level.	Thermometer. Dry.	Thermometer. Wet.	Humidity, Sat. =100.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Velocity.	Rain.	Clouds.	Weather initials.
Calcutta.	Oct. 4th	10	29·744	29·762	84·7	80·3	81	S	...	0·08	.....	o
		16	29·644	29·662	86·4	79·0	70	S S E	...	0·03	.....	scuds.
	5th	10	29·809	29·827	86·0	80·0	85	S E	...	...	.....	scuds.
		16	29·708	29·726	84·4	79·0	79	S by E	...	...	K, C	
	6th	10	29·835	29·853	86·2	80·8	77	S E	...	...	K	
		16	29·734	29·752	85·6	79·4	75	S E	...	0·21	CK	
	7th	10	29·835	29·853	86·3	80·2	75	S E	...	...	K	
		16	29·701	29·719	90·0	80·2	63	S E	...		K	
	8th	10	29·838	29·856	84·1	80·0	83	.....	...	1·03	K, K	
		16	29·724	29·742	87·0	80·7	74	.....	...	...	.....	o
	9th	10	29·855	29·873	86·3	80·8	77	S S E	...	0·17	K, CS	
		16	29·711	29·729	87·6	80·5	72	S S E	...	...	K	
	10th	10	29·884	29·902	87·0	80·7	75	S S E	...	0·02	K	
		16	29·763	29·781	85·5	81·3	83	S S E	...	...	K	
Saugor Island.	Oct. 4th	10	29·752	29·758	81	78	86	S S W	27·1	0·50	N	o, p, scuds.
		16	29·663	29·669	84	77	71	S S E	14·4	0·10	N	scuds b, v.
	5th	10	29·816	29·822	87	82	79	S E	10·9	...	N	b, v, scuds.
		16	29·735	29·731	85	79	75	S E	11·5	...	KS	b, m
	6th	10	29·838	29·844	85	81	83	S S E	3·5	0·10	N	b, p, v
		16	29·744	29·750	85	79	75	S E	8·9	...	N	b, v, scuds.
	7th	10	29·831	29·837	87	81	76	S S E	1·9	...	N	b, v
		16	29·726	29·732	86	80	75	S S W	9·3	...	N	b, v
	8th	10	29·845	29·851	85	79	75	N E	0·4	...	N	b, v
		16	29·738	29·744	86	79	72	S S E	3·6	...	N	v
	9th	10	29·859	29·865	83	78	78	S W	2·0	0·10	N	b, v, p
		16	29·746	29·752	86	79	72	S E	7·0	...	N	b, v
	10th	10	29·896	29·902	84	81	87	S E	2·0	0·20	N	b, v, p
		16	29·785	29·791	82	79	87	N E	3·3	0·10	N	b, v, p
Chittagong.	Oct. 4th	10	29·774	29·866	84	80	83	E S E	4·4	...	.....	b, v
		16	29·667	29·759	86	78	68	S W	6·9	...	.....	b, v
	5th	10	29·782	29·874	85	80	79	E N E	2·4	...	.....	b, v
		16	29·677	29·769	86	80	75	S W	4·5	...	.....	b, v
	6th	10	29·797	29·889	85	80	79	N N E	2·0	...	K	b, v
		16	29·677	29·769	86	80	75	W S W	5·4	...	KS	b, v
	7th	10	29·800	29·893	80	77	86	N	1·4	0·10	KS	m
		16	29·657	29·749	86	80	75	W S W	4·6	...	C	b, v
	8th	10	29·800	29·883	81	78	86	E S E	2·8	1·00	KS	u, v
		16	29·695	29·778	82	78	82	S S E	9·7	...	C, CK, K	b
	9th	10	29·820	29·913	82	79	87	E S E	2·0	...	CK, K	b, v
		16	29·697	29·789	87	80	72	S W	5·4	...	C	b, v
	10th	10	29·842	29·934	85	79	75	N	2·3	...	CK, K	b, v
		16	29·715	29·807	87	78	65	W S W	4·3	...	C, KS	t
Madras.	Oct. 3rd	10	29·889	29·913	84	77	71	S W	10	...	.....	b
		16	29·747	29·777	87	79	68	S E	8	...	.....	b
	4th	10	29·852	29·882	87	78	65	W	10	...	.....	b
		16	29·726	29·756	83	73	60	S W	9	...	.....	b
	5th	10	29·851	29·881	86	78	68	S W by W	10	0·13	.....	b
		16	29·729	29·759	88	81	72	S	7	...	.....	b
	6th	10	29·863	29·893	87	78	65	W S W	10	...	.....	b
		16	29·765	29·795	95	78	44	W S W	6	...	.....	b
	7th	10	29·870	29·900	87	77	61	W S W	9	...	.....	b
		16	29·724	29·754	96	80	47	W N W	6	...	.....	c
	8th	10	29·829	29·859	87	79	68	S W by W	8	0·11	.....	c
		16	29·714	29·744	94	78	46	N by W	3	...	.....	c
	9th	10	29·818	29·848	85	78	71	S S W	5	...	.....	o
		16	29·700	29·730	86	79	72	W N W	3	...	.....	o
Cuttack.	Oct. 4th	10	29·679	29·762	79	76	86	S W	1·7	0·10	N	d
		16	29·535	29·618	82	77	78	S W	5·4	...	CK, N	
	5th	10	29·694	29·776	84	79	79	N N E	2·1	...	KC, K, N	
		16	29·609	29·692	80	72	68	E	3·2	0·10	C, N	p
	6th	10	29·711	29·793	84	79	79	N	0·7	...	C, KS	
		16	29·629	29·712	78	76	90	E	3·0	0·40	C, K, N	p
	7th	10	29·744	29·826	84	79	79	E N E	0·4	...	C, CK	
		16	29·642	29·724	85	80	79	E	3·1		K, CK	
	8th	10	29·728	29·810	86	80	75	E N E	1·7	0·40	CS, K	b
		16	29·639	29·721	85	79	75	E	2·9	0·50	C, K, N	p
	9th	10	29·760	29·842	86	79	72	E N E	1·5	...	CK, C	
		16	29·664	29·747	81	78	86	S E	3·0	0·80	CK, N	p
	10th	10	29·803	29·885	84	80	83	N N E	2·5	...	K, N	p
		16	29·714	29·796	83	79	83	N N E	4·8	...	K, N	d
Akyab.	Oct. 4th	10	29·846	29·867	85	79	75	E S E	3·3	...	.....	b
		16	29·742	29·763	85	78	71	S W	3·8	...	.....	b
	5th	10	29·872	29·894	82	79	87	E	1·5	...	.....	b
		16	29·749	29·770	85	79	75	W S W	3·6	...	.....	b
	6th	10	29·869	29·891	82	79	87	N N W	1·1	...	.....	b
		16	29·761	29·782	85	79	75	W	3·8	...	.....	b
	7th	10	29·856	29·877	84	80	83	S E	0·6	...	.....	b
		16	29·745	29·766	84	81	87	E	5·0	...	.....	g
	8th	10	29·867	29·889	77	76	95	S	1·0	1·10	.....	r
		16	29·766	29·787	83	79	83	S	2·0	0·20	.....	b
	9th	10	29·886	29·907	84	80	83	E N E	2·2	...	.....	b
		16	29·774	29·795	85	80	79	S	7·0	...	.....	b
	10th	10	29·916	29·937	85	79	75	N E	0·3	...	.....	b
		16	29·766	29·787	87	80	72	W	3·8	...	.....	b

* Velocity of wind in miles per hour

CALCUTTA,
The 10th October 1874.

W. G. WILLSON,
Offg. Meteorological Reporter to the Government of Bengal.

Results of the Meteorological Observations taken at the Surveyor-General's Office, Calcutta, from 1st to 7th October 1874.

Month.	Date.	Mean reduced barometer.	Thermometer. Highest reading.	Thermometer. Lowest reading.	Thermometer. Max. solar radiation.	Mean dry bulb.	Mean wet bulb.	Computed mean dew-point.	Mean degree of humidity.	Wind. Prevailing direction.	Wind. Max. pressure.	Wind. Daily velocity.	Rain.	Moon's phases.	General Remarks.
		Inches.	°	°	°	°	°	°			lb	Miles.	In.		
Oct.	1st	29·660	90·0	79·5	140·0	84·0	79·5	79·3	0·78	S by E & N W	...	47·9	...	...	Cirri, cumuli and clear.
	2nd	·685	85·6	79·5	114·0	81·7	77·8	75·1	·81	N W, N N W & N N E	.	108·0	0·02	☾	Cirri, stratoni and overcast. Light rain at 3 and 7 P.M.
	3rd	·678	88·0	78·7	118·0	81·9	79·1	77·1	·86	N N E & E	0·8	138·1	0·12	...	Cirri, cumuli and overcast. Sheetlighting at midnight, 1 A.M. and 8 P.M. Light rain at 5¼, 7 A.M., 1, 2½, 5, 8 and 10 P.M.
	4th	·698	87·3	77·0	140·0	81·6	77·8	75·1	·81	S S E & S by E	2·0	307·0	0·08	...	Overcast and cumuli. Brisk wind between 1 and 2 A.M. Slight rain at 1½ and 10¼ A.M.
	5th	·761	89·0	78·0	143·4	82·2	78·4	75·7	·81	S E & S S E	0·7	114·0	...	...	Clear and cumuli.
	6th	·783	88·0	78·0	128·5	82·3	79·2	77·0	·85	S S E & E S E	...	125·1	0·21	...	Clear and cumuli. Thunder from 1¾ A.M. to 2 P.M. Rain at 12½ A.M.
	7th	·780	90·0	79·0	147·2	83·4	79·3	76·4	·80	E S E, S E & S S E	...	81·9	1·03	...	Clear, cumuli and overcast. Lightning from 6 to 10 P.M. Thunder and rain from 6 to 8 P.M.

The mean barometer as likewise the dry and wet bulb thermometer means are derived from the twenty-four hourly observations made during the day.

The dew-point is computed with the Greenwich constants. The figures in column 10 represent the humidity of the air, the complete saturation of which being taken at unity. The receiver of the lower rain gauge is 1½ feet, and that of the anemometer 70 feet 10 inches above the level of the ground. The velocity of wind, as indicated by Robinson's anemometer, is registered from noon to noon.

The extreme variation of temperature during the past seven days	...	° 13·0
The maximum temperature during the past seven days	...	90·0
The maximum temperature during the corresponding period of the past year	...	93·0
The mean humidity during the past seven days	...	0·82
The mean humidity during the corresponding period of the past year	...	0·72
		Inches.
The total fall of rain from 1st to 7th ... by lower rain gauge	...	1·46
The total fall of rain from 1st to 7th ... by anemometer gauge	...	1·25
Ditto ditto ditto, average of twenty previous years	...	1·75
Ditto ditto between the 1st January and the 7th October	...	49·11
Ditto ditto ditto, average of twenty previous years	...	63·51

GOPEENAUTH SEN,
In charge of the Observatory.

The 12th October 1874.

Weekly Return of Traffic Receipts on Indian Railways.

CALCUTTA AND SOUTH-EASTERN STATE RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 3rd October 1874, on 28 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic.			Merchandise and Mineral Traffic.			Total traffic receipts.
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.		Weight carried.	Receipts.		
		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	Mds. Srs.	Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total traffic for the week	9,725	1,123 0 0	112 6 0	11,351 0	343 0 0	34 6 0	146 12 0
Or per mile of railway	347	40 0 0	4 0 0	405 0	12 0 0	1 4 0	5 4 0
For previous 13 weeks of half-year...	87,395	11,476 0 0	1,147 12 0	1,52,436 0	4,552 0 0	455 4 0	1,602 16 0
Total for 14 weeks ...	97,120	12,599 0 0	1,259 18 0	1,63,787 0	4,895 0 0	489 10 0	1,749 8 0
Comparison.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year	4,026	838 4 0	83 16 6	26,624 0	920 2 6	92 0 3	175 16 9
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year	144	29 15 0	2 19 10	951 0	32 13 10	3 5 9	6 5 7
Total to corresponding date of previous year	59,183	10,299 15 3	1,029 19 10	2,47,228 0	8,389 1 6	838 18 1	1,868 17 11

NALHATI STATE RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 26th September 1874, on 27¼ miles open.

		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	Mds. Srs.	Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total traffic for the week	1,048	714 0 0	71 8 0	10,011 0	820 0 0	82 0 0	153 8 0
Or per mile of railway	38	26 0 0	2 12 0	367 0	30 0 0	3 0 0	5 12 0
For previous 12 weeks of half-year...	12,477	9,894 0 0	989 8 0	1,22,760 0	8,210 0 0	821 0 0	1,810 8 0
Total for 13 weeks	13,525	10,608 0 0	1,060 16 0	1,32,771 0	9,030 0 0	903 0 0	1,963 16 0
Comparison.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year	1,907	1,407 5 9	140 14 8	4,574 20	453 13 3	45 7 8	186 2 4
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year	70	51 10 4	5 3 3	567 35	16 10 6	1 13 4	6 16 7
Total to corresponding date of previous year	17,193	12,467 11 1	1,246 15 4	52,888 0	4,741 0 0	474 2 0	1,720 17 4

NALHATI STATE RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 3rd October 1874, on 27¼ miles open.

		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	Mds. Srs.	Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total traffic for the week	1,132	826 0 0	82 12 0	1,106 0	136 0 0	13 12 0	96 4 0
Or per mile of railway	42	30 0 0	3 0 0	41 0	5 0 0	0 10 0	3 10 0
For previous 13 weeks of half-year	13,525	10,608 0 0	1,060 16 0	1,32,771 0	9,030 0 0	903 0 0	1,963 16 0
Total for 14 weeks	14,657	11,434 0 0	1,143 8 0	1,33,877 0	9,166 0 0	916 12 0	2,059 0 0
Comparison.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year.	1,128	883 13 11	88 7 9	2,033 30	204 1 0	20 8 1	108 15 10
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year.	41	32 6 11	3 4 10	74 25	7 7 10	0 14 11	3 19 9
Total to corresponding date of previous year.	18,321	13,351 9 0	1,335 3 1	54,921 30	4,945 1 0	494 10 1	1,829 13 2

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY—MAIN LINE.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 3rd October 1874, on 1,280 miles open.

		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	Mds. Srs.	Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total traffic for the week	105,169	1,38,696 1 3	12,713 16 2	6,46,861 10	2,86,950 5 3	26,303 15 7	39,017 11 9
Or per mile of railway	.....	108 5 8	9 18 8	.....	224 2 11	20 11 0	30 9 8
For previous 13 weeks of half-year	1,304,403	15,75,186 6 11	144,392 1 0	1,02,37,599 30	43,47,195 4 2	3,98,422 18 0	542,884 19 9
Total for 14 weeks	1,409,572	17,13,882 8 2	157,105 17 11	1,08,84,461 0	46,34,145 9 5	4,24,796 13 7	581,902 11 6
Comparison.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year	107,583	1,55,816 4 3	14,283 3 2	4,91,084 10	2,33,478 5 2	21,402 3 7	35,685 6 9
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year	.....	121 11 8	11 3 2	.....	182 6 6	16 14 5	27 17 7
Total to corresponding date of previous year	1,431,663	17,77,098 7 6	162,906 13 11	77,62,617 10	34,28,411 7 0	3,14,271 1 0	477,171 14 11

EASTERN BENGAL RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for Week ended 26th September 1874, on 158¼ miles open.

	Coaching Traffic.			Merchandise and Mineral Traffic.			Total traffic receipts.
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.		Weight carried.	Receipts.		
		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	Mds. Srs.	Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total traffic for the week ...	38,269½	19,696 9 6	1,805 10 5	2,01,582 7	84,426 6 8	7,739 1 9	9,544 12 2
Or per mile of railway	242	124 7 5	11 8 2	1,274 0	533 8 0	48 18 1	60 6 3
For previous 11 weeks of half-year...	300,487	1,73,714 0 4	15,914 15 9	13,77,560 18	5,32,186 8 2	47,867 1 10	63,781 17 7
Total for 12 weeks	338,756½	1,93,410 9 10	17,720 6 2	15,79,142 25	6,16,612 14 4	55,606 3 7	73,326 9 9
Comparison.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year	43,591	28,334 12 5	2,597 7 1	1,73,813 16	63,835 4 7	5,851 11 4	8,448 18 5
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year ...	275	179 0 10	16 8 3	1,098 0	403 6 1	36 19 6	53 7 10
Total to corresponding date of previous year	367,269½	2,11,855 12 0	19,419 19 0	18,85,757 39	5,47,885 4 3	50,222 16 2	69,643 15 2

EAST INDIAN RAILWAY—JUBBULPORE LINE.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 3rd October 1874, on 223½ miles open.

		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	Mds. Srs.	Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total traffic for the week ...	3,865	2,307 2 0	853 3 1	34,038 20	12,643 11 0	1,159 0 1	2,012 3 2
Or per mile of railway	.....	41 10 3	3 16 4	.....	56 9 2	5 3 9	9 0 1
For previous 13 weeks of half-year	49,659	1,10,622 2 7	10,140 7 3	6,24,489 10	1,85,491 3 6	17,003 7 3	27,143 14 6
Total for 14 weeks ...	53,524	1,12,929 4 7	10,993 10 4	6,58,527 30	1,98,134 14 6	18,162 7 4	29,155 17 8
Comparison.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year	4,768	13,098 14 0	1,200 14 7	59,341 20	18,086 5 6	1,657 7 3	2,858 1 10
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year	.....	58 9 9	5 7 5	.....	80 14 4	7 8 4	12 15 9
Total to corresponding date of previous year...	49,796	1,25,985 12 11	11,548 14 0	4,92,070 0	1,52,792 5 3	14,005 19 2	25,554 13 2

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EMIGRATION TO COLONIES DURING THE YEAR 1873-74.

RESOLUTION.

EMIGRATION.

Calcutta, the 17th October 1874.

READ—

A letter No. 609A, dated 1st June, but received in this office on the 27th August 1874, from the Protector of Emigrants, Calcutta, being his Annual Emigration Report for 1873-74.

Read also—

A letter No. 1057, dated 10th September 1874, from the Officiating Accountant-General, covering a statement of the receipts and charges on account of emigration fees under Act VII of 1871 for 1873-74.

In the past year fifty-six vessels sailed from the Hooghly, carrying with them 24,569 emigrants to the colonies. The increase in emigration operations, noticed in last year's report, has thus been so well sustained, that in the course of two years the number of emigrants from this port has trebled. The total number of coolies admitted to the depôts was 29,267 against 19,427 in the previous year. No less than 375 licenses were granted to persons engaged in recruiting, being 117 more than in 1872-73. The receipts from emigration fees in the three provinces of Bengal, Oude, and the North-Western Provinces were Rs. 52,045 against Rs. 31,855 in the previous year; while the charges under the Act increased from Rs. 17,279 to Rs. 20,925.

2. The number of coolies who were admitted to depôt, and of those who embarked for the various colonies during the past, compared with the previous, year was as follows :—

	Admitted to depôt.		Embarked.	
	1872-73.	1873-74.	1872-73.	1873-74.
Mauritius	5,759	6,782	5,262	5,387
British West Indies	12,748	15,198	11,499	12,441
French " "	.....	4,224	.....	3,218
Dutch " "	920	3,063	410	3,623
Total ...	19,427	29,267	17,171	24,569

The activity with which recruiting operations for British and Dutch Guiana have been conducted, and the renewal of emigration to the French colonies, have contributed chiefly to the increase noticed in the above statement. On the other hand, there was a falling off in the number of emigrants despatched to Trinidad and Jamaica; and St. Vincent and Grenada took no coolies in the course of the year. An agency has been established to re-open emigration to Natal, but its operations had not commenced before the close of the year.

3. The classes of the people to which the emigrants belonged were as follows :—

	Mauritius.	British West Indies.	French West Indies.	Dutch West Indies.
Hindoos, Brahmins, and high castes	773	1,454	410	514
Agriculturists	1,467	3,281	799	1,012
Artizans	448	875	292	255
Low castes	1,922	4,951	1,249	1,158
Mussulmans	775	1,845	467	580
Christians	.....	28	* 1	4
Total ...	5,385	12,434	3,218	3,523

Of the total number of emigrants, 11,999 were natives of the North-Western Provinces, 5,823 of Oude, 5,196 of Behar, and only 1,112 of Bengal proper. The numbers who came from the Punjab, Central Provinces, and elsewhere were insignificant. The detailed returns given show that natives of Oude, as a rule, preferred to emigrate to Demerara; while natives of Bengal and Behar preferred the Mauritius, which also attracted a large number of men from the North-Western Provinces. It is noticeable that of the Lower Provinces of Bengal the eastern districts, with their large population, supply but a very trifling quota to the emigration agencies for the colonies. The probability is that these districts find a nearer and more convenient field for their surplus labour in the tea plantations of Assam and Cachar.

4. The number of emigrants who returned from the colonies during the year was very small. Six ships brought back 1,522 coolies from the Mauritius, and two ships brought back 959 more from the British West Indies. While the savings of the former, so far as known, amounted to Rs. 23,709 only, the aggregate amount of the savings of the latter was Rs. 2,62,306. The information given regarding emigrants who returned for a second time to the colonies is not complete; but the fact that 96 were found willing to return to Demerara during the year may in part be explained by the large remuneration which labour finds there, the average sum brought back to this country by each emigrant having been no less than Rs. 293 during the past year. It is a new feature that among the return emigrants to Demerara several should be found proceeding to the colony as private passengers, and paying large sums for their passage.

5. No details are given regarding the result of the medical examination of recruits on their admission to depôt. If, however, the difference* between the number so admitted, and the number finally embarked, represents at all approximately the number of rejections, it would seem that some 16 per cent of the recruits were weeded out as unfit to proceed

* Admitted	29,267
Embarked	24,569
	4,698

to the colonies. In future, the Protector should give more particular information on this point, and should report whether the arrangements made for the return of rejected recruits to their homes have been satisfactory. It is just in these cases that, in the absence of precautions, hardship would be felt by intending emigrants, prevented by sickness from carrying out their wishes and left at a long distance from their homes.

6. The number of deaths in depôt was 336 against 104 in the previous year, the death-rate having increased from 0·53 in the previous year to 1·14. This increase in mortality is traceable in some measure to the increase in the average period of detention of the coolies in the depôts, and in two cases the average of one month allowed by the rules was exceeded. Though in these particular instances this was occasioned by the prolonged illness and treatment of individuals, it devolves upon the Protector to be careful that the detention of the men in depôt is not unnecessarily prolonged beyond the period required for their proper observation. The peculiar circumstances of the year under review, operating through the prevalent scarcity in increasing the numbers of those who sought to better their condition by means of emigration, required especial precautions where larger numbers were brought together in the Calcutta depôts. Generally the internal arrangements and management of these depôts were quite satisfactory, and the great improvement which has been introduced into the cooking and messing systems of all the agencies deserves commendation. It should be adopted in the new establishment of the agent for the French colonies as soon as its organization is completed.

7. Reports have not yet been received of the arrival of all the vessels despatched during the season, and in consequence a complete statement of the mortality at sea is not submitted. In ten out of 48 cases in which the reports have been received, the mortality on the outward voyage exceeded 5 per cent, and in three of these cases it exceeded 10 per cent. In two of the last cases cholera, and in one fever, was the prevailing cause of death. No equally good reason is assigned for the high mortality in the other cases. In ships inward bound, the death-rate of the past year exceeded that of the previous year, and rose to 7·71 in the case of one ship which had the misfortune to make a very protracted voyage in inclement weather from Trinidad.

8. While it is undisputed that exposure and wet are invariably followed by untoward results, and while other similar broad conclusions can be safely accepted, the result of the emigration trade brings prominently to view how little is yet known of the conditions on which the health of the emigrants on ship board depends. Though every case in which any unusual mortality occurs is carefully enquired into at the time, and considered in the colonies, in England, and in India, with the aid of the best medical authorities, it is seldom that any definite conclusion is obtained in explanation of an excessive death-rate. Generally, however, this may be affirmed that the length of voyage operates against the health of emigrants; and considering the circumstances of the emigrating classes, and their inexperience of life at sea, it is not surprising that when voyages are protracted, sickness and mortality prevail. The little experience which has as yet been gained of the conveyance of coolies by full-powered steam ships has been, on the whole, favorable, and the Lieutenant-Governor is not without hope that as the practice of chartering steamers for emigration purposes becomes more general, a marked diminution in the death-rate will take place.

9. The Lieutenant-Governor is pleased to find that Messrs Frith and Eales continue to conduct their duties in an efficient manner. Some improvement is reported in the Surinam Agency, the proceedings of which, especially in their recruiting operations, have not always given satisfaction. Considering the great extension of their work, it should receive the Protector's closest attention. His Honor hopes that M. Lamouroux will succeed in properly organizing his establishment without loss of time. The fact that, notwithstanding the increased number of recruiters licensed, the percentage of licenses which had to be withdrawn has not increased is creditable to the agents.

10. The thanks of the Lieutenant-Governor are due to Dr. Grant for the efficient administration of a difficult office.

By order of the Lieutenant-Goveror of Bengal,

RIVERS THOMPSON,

Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT OF THE RANAGHAT MUNICIPALITY FOR THE YEAR 1873-74.

No. 4MM, dated Calcutta, the 10th June 1874.

From—LORD H. ULICK BROWNE, Commissioner of the Presidency Division,

To—The Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Judicial Department.

I HAVE the honor to submit herewith the Annual Administration Report of the little Municipality at Ranaghat, constituted under Act III of 1864, for the past year 1873-74, together with the usual statement of income and expenditure and the Chairman's letter No. 91, dated 19th May 1874.

2. There is nothing in the report or statement that appears to call for remarks.

No. 91, dated Kishnaghur, the 19th May 1874.

From—C. C. STEVENS, ESQ., Chairman of the Ranaghat Municipality,

To—The Commissioner of the Presidency Division.

I BEG to forward herewith the Annual Administration Report of the Ranaghat Municipality for the year 1873-74.

2. There is nothing particular to remark; the year has been one of steady, though not rapid, progress in most respects. The great improvement visible in the house-tax collection is a satisfactory feature of the report.

No. 4, dated Ranaghat, the 22nd April 1874.

From—BABOO DINA NATH ADDY, Vice-Chairman of the Ranaghat Municipality,

To—The Chairman of the Ranaghat Municipality.

I HAVE the honor to submit my Annual Administration Report and a statement of receipts and expenditure of the Ranaghat Municipality for the year 1873-74.

II. During the year under report, the commissioners of this municipality were the same as in last year.

Meetings and Attendance.

III. Twenty-one (21) meetings were held during the year. In sixteen out of the above twenty-one meetings business was transacted; in the remaining five no quorum was obtained. Of the nine non-official commissioners—

Baboo Chundra Mohun Dass attended	9	meetings.
,, Dwarka Nath Pal Chowdhury	7	,,
,, Surendro Nath Pal Chowdhury	12	,,
,, Broja Nath Pal Chowdhury	1	,,
,, Radha Moy Dey Chowdhury	2	,,
,, Keshub Chundra Pal Chowdhury	11	,,
,, Rakhal Dass Mullik	3	,,
,, Bani Madhub Mookerjee	11	,,

Receipts and Expenditure.

IV.—1. The total receipts during the year were Rs. 9,368-4-3 against Rs. 7,782-9 of the preceding year, showing an increase of Rs. 1,585-11-3; and the expenditure during the year amounted to Rs. 7,846-8 against Rs. 7,354-10-3, showing an increase of Rs. 491-13-9. The balance at the credit of the municipality at the close of the year was Rs. 2,696-1-6.

2. The following comparative statement of the details of the receipts of 1873-74 will show the increase or otherwise of the receipts under the different heads:—

	1872-73.	1873-74.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. House-tax...	3,558 15 3	4,940 10 6	1,381 11 3	.....
2. Ferry	3,397 15 0	3,183 2 0	.....	214 13 0
3. Pound	461 13 3	411 11 0	.....	50 2 3
4. License fees and fines, &c.	363 13 6	832 12 9	468 15 3	.....
Total ...	7,782 9 0	9,368 4 3	1,850 10 6	264 15 3

3. The house-tax shows an increase of Rs. 1,381-11-3. This increase is owing to two reasons: *firstly*, to the new assessment made at the beginning of the year; and *secondly*, to better collection. The previous year's rates amounted to Rs. 4,058-6-9, while the new assessments raised them to Rs. 4,179-9; and at the close of the previous year there was an outstanding balance of Rs. 1,122-6-9, while at the close of 1873-74 the outstanding balance is only Rs. 276-1-9; this better collection is certainly due to the new arrangement made for the collection. Formerly there were three persons to collect the tax, namely, the municipal head clerk, who for this additional work used to get an additional pay of Rs. 10, and a tehsildar and a sarkar on Rs. 8 and Rs. 7 respectively. But this year the collection has been made by one darogah, paid by commission at Rs. 6 per cent.

4. The ferry receipts decreased this year owing to the decreased sum at which the ferry was settled at the Sudder office, and to short collection. In the previous year the ferry was settled at Rs. 3,400, while in 1873-74 it was settled at Rs. 3,305; and the collection this year amounted to Rs. 3,183-2 against Rs. 3,397-15 of last year. The balance due from the farmers for 1873-74 has been paid up after the close of the official year.

5. There is a decrease of Rs. 50-2-3 in the receipts on account of pound, and this is only owing to the absence of crops in many of the fields.

6. There has been an increase of more than Rs. 450 under the heading of license fees, &c.; this increase is partly owing to the extension of section 49 to the municipality, which added Rs. 186-2-6 to its receipts, and partly to the receipt of Rs. 200 on account of the case brought against the municipality by Joydeb Dey Chowdhury. Some income was also derived from the municipal tank of Nasra.

7. The total of the receipts given in the budget estimate for the year was Rs. 8,300; but the actual receipts of the year have exceeded this sum by Rs. 1,068-4-3, though at the close of the year there was an outstanding balance of Rs. 276-1-9.

8 The expenditures of the two years were as follows under distinct headings :—

	1872-73.	1873-74.	Less expenditure.	Increased expenditure.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Police...	1,544 8 0	1,527 0 0	17 8 0	.....
Conservancy	660 6 6	683 9 0	.....	23 2 6
Office establishment, &c. ...	560 6 9	689 15 9	...	129 9 0
Collection charges	272 8 0	264 12 9	7 11 3	.....
Roads	3,787 6 9	3,683 12 3	103 10 6	.....
Buildings...	182 10 9	105 10 0	77 0 9	.....
Works of public utility ...	134 2 0	151 10 6	.....	17 8 6
Dispensary	.....	275 0 0	.....	275 0 0
Education	.....	50 0 0	.....	50 0 0
Pound	108 0 0	120 7 3	.....	12 7 3
Otherwise spent	104 9 6	294 10 6	.....	190 1 0
Total ...	7,354 10 3	7,846 8 0	205 14 6	697 12 3

9. There was thus an increase of about Rs. 500 in the expenditure of the year under review compared to that of the previous year. This increase is chiefly owing to the contributions made to the dispensary and schools, which amounted to Rs. 325, and to the payment made to Joydeb Dey Chowdhury amounting to Rs. 156-10. The increase shown in the expenditure under the head "office establishment, &c.," was owing to slight increases given to the head clerk and the peon, and the increased printing charges incurred. The increase and decrease under other heads are slight, and require no explanation.

Road Work.

V. During the year two roads of the town, measuring together upwards of a mile in length, were re-metalled, and another road, measuring 1,200 feet in length, was newly metalled. One culvert and three pucca drains were constructed in different parts of the pucca roads. Another pucca drain was also constructed on the side of a kutcha road, and all the kutcha roads of the town underwent repairs.

Drainage.

VI. There has not been much attempt to enlarge the existing drainage of the town during the year; but four small drains were completed, and all the kutcha drains were re-opened.

Conservancy.

VII. The conservancy establishment, composed of one overseer, one murdafarash, two refuse cart drivers, one grass-cutter, and two coolies, worked throughout the year. The refuse carts kept the greater part of the town clear of all dirt and refuse, and utilised them by filling up holes and cavities in different parts of the town. Two refuse carts are insufficient to keep clean the whole town, and it is in contemplation to add two more carts, if the funds allow of it. The two coolies, besides keeping the town clear of jungle, kept the side drains of roads in a cleanly state.

Law-suits instituted by and against the Municipal Commissioners.

VIII. The case of Joydeb Dey Chowdhury *versus* the Ranaghat Municipality, reported in last year's Annual Administration Report, was amicably settled during the year. The plaintiff paid all the expenses incurred by the municipality, and he enclosed the privy which occasioned the suit with walls in such a way that it has ceased to be a public nuisance. He also deposited Rs. 43-6 for the purpose of widening the road on the side of which the privy stands.

IX. The health of the town during the year was remarkably good. The number of deaths during the year was 101, showing a decrease of 26 compared to the previous year.

X. One vaccinator was appointed in November last for two months, and the number of boys and girls vaccinated during the months was 158.

NUDDEA DISTRICT.

Annual Statement of Income and Expenditure of the Ranaghat Municipality under Act III of 1864 for the year 1873-74.

MEMBERS ...	Europeans	4
	Natives	10
	Officials	5
	Non-officials...	9
	Total ...	14
Number of sittings held during the year		21
POPULATION ...	Hindoos	7,417
	Mahomedans	1,353
	Christians	7
	Total population ...	8,777

		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance at the close of the year		1,392	5	3
INCOME ...	House-tax	4,940	10	6
	Wheel-tax	186	2	6
	Cattle-pound	411	11	0
	Toll and ferry	3,183	2	0
	Fines levied under the municipal law	26	0	0
	Other sources	402	10	3
	Total income ...	9,150	4	3
Incidence of municipal taxation per head of population		0	9	3
Income of past year		7,782	9	0
Average income of the three preceding years		8,062	5	6
EXPENDITURE ...	Police	1,527	0	0
	Conservancy	683	9	0
	Establishment	689	15	9
	Roads	3,683	12	3
	Buildings	105	10	0
	Works of public utility	151	10	6
	Otherwise spent	1,004	14	6
	Total expenditure ...	7,846	8	0
Balance in hand at the close of the year		2,696	1	6

RANAGHAT, the 24th September 1874. D. N. ADDY, *Vice-Chairman.*

REPORT OF THE WORKING OF THE DACCA MUNICIPALITY FOR THE YEAR 1873-74.

No. 1367, dated Dacca, the 15th June 1874.
From—D. R. LYALL, ESQ., Officiating Magistrate of Dacca,
To—The Commissioner of Dacca.

I HAVE the honor to forward the report of the working of the Dacca Municipality for the past year, drawn up by the Vice-Chairman.

2. The point touched on by the Vice-Chairman in his 6th paragraph is a most important one. Yearly the pressure for more metalled roads is becoming heavier owing to the increased wear and tear of those before metalled, and to the necessity for extending the length of the metalled roads owing to increased traffic. Last year, having a good balance, we were able to spend a large sum in roads, but, as a rule, Rs. 10,000 a year is all the Committee can afford, and it would take Rs. 20,000 to keep the roads in good repair.

3. The Dholai Khal has yielded a good revenue, and this revenue might be greatly increased if the khal were judiciously deepened and made in a straight line from Demra.

4 I do not think that a fair amount of leniency in municipal cases does any harm, and am of opinion that the great object is to have orders regarding clearing drains, &c., carried out; and I do not think it is always wise to fine if there is a delay of a day or two, provided the order is obeyed.

5. The town is now nearly ready for the introduction of Act VII. The difficulty is to get sweepers, and I am afraid we shall finally have to get them from the North-West. I have written without success to Beerbhoom and Hazareebagh, and am now awaiting an answer from Shahabad.

I should press the matter more vigorously but for the high prices of food, which make me unwilling to do anything which must cause further taxation at present, while the rains is the time when least can be done in the way of sanitation.

No. 77, dated Dacca, the 3rd June 1874.
From—The Vice-Chairman of the Municipal Commissioners, Dacca,
To—The Magistrate of Dacca.

IN continuation of this office No. 59 of the 16th ultimo, submitting an account of the income and expenditure of the Dacca Municipality for the year 1873-74, I beg to submit a report on the administration of the municipality during the past year.

2. The number of municipal commissioners this year has been twenty-three, the same as last year, but there have been considerable changes in the *personnel* of the municipality. One commissioner, Mr. M. David, resigned, and four other gentlemen permanently quitted the town, and so gave up their posts. The following gentlemen were appointed in their places, viz.:—Khajeh Mahomed Azgar, and Baboos Radhica Mohun Roy, Rup Lall Dass, Upendro Nath Mittro, and Kali Prosuno Ghose. There are now eight European and fifteen Native and Armenian members, as against eleven European and twelve Native and Armenian members last year. Seven of the members are officials and sixteen non-officials. One of the former is a native teacher in the Dacca Collegiate School.

3. The municipality had twenty-four sittings during the year, at which, besides many other minor matters, the following more important subjects engaged their attention:—

1*st*.—The increase in the pay of the Secretary from Rs. 200 to Rs. 250, besides a horse allowance of Rs. 25 per mensem.

2nd.—The taking of a settlement of some *khas* land called the wooari, situated to the north-east of the town. The land consists of about 129 beeghas, and is now covered with jungle. The municipality has taken a settlement of this land for a term of thirty-three years at a rental of Rs. 56 per annum. It is proposed to clear the land, settle municipal sweepers on it, and utilize it in various ways for the improvement of the town.

3rd.—The introduction of Act IV of 1874 (for the registration of births and deaths) into the town of Dacca. The municipality agreed to the introduction of this Act on condition that no extra establishment for working it should have to be entertained, and the Act was accordingly introduced from the 1st November 1873.

4th.—Revision of the municipal police establishment. A most atrocious murder was committed in the town in the month of August last, and this led to a very general impression that the existing staff of municipal police was insufficient for the proper watch and ward of the town. It was therefore determined to add twenty men, on Rs. 5 per month, to the municipal police force, and to take advantage of the dismissal of the town Inspector, Mr. Anania, to abolish his appointment (Rs. 100 per month), so as to defray the cost of the additional police force. This arrangement was not carried out till after the close of the year.

5th.—The introduction of Act II of 1873, for the appointment of municipal commissioners by election, was also discussed. It was determined that the time had scarcely arrived for the introduction of this Act into Dacca, and that it would be premature to attempt to introduce it until the inhabitants of Dacca had expressed a desire for its introduction.

4. The total income of the municipality during the year 1873-74 amounted to Rs. 77,993-12-8, but this includes a balance of Rs. 16,063-10-11 remaining from the preceding year. The net income was therefore Rs. 61,930-1-9, as against a net income of Rs. 60,646-3-6 in 1872-73. The explanation of this increase is given below. The incidence of the taxation is rather less in 1873-74 than in 1872-73, viz. 10 annas 1 pie, ·9, this year, as against 10 annas 4 pie, ·7, in the preceding year. In making this calculation, the population of Dacca is estimated at 69,212, which was found to be the number of its inhabitants at last census. But the population must no doubt be greater than that now, and the incidence of taxation must consequently be less than would appear from the annual return.

5. The collections on account of house-tax this year amounted to Rs. 39,177-6-6. This is a little less than in the preceding year, on account of almost all the arrears having been cleared off in 1872-73. The balances outstanding at the end of both years were almost exactly the same.

6. The receipts on account of "wheel-tax," that is, the tax on carriages and horses, have increased from Rs. 4,571-6 last year to Rs. 4,779-2 this year. There is a steady increase every year in the number of carriages and horses in Dacca. Indeed, since 1866-67, when the wheel-tax was first introduced, the receipts from this source have nearly doubled. This is no doubt a matter of congratulation, as a sign of an increased state of prosperity on the part of the inhabitants of the city; but, on the other hand, when the narrowness of the roads of the town, and the consequent increase in their wear and tear, are taken into consideration, this cannot fail to be a subject of solicitude to the municipality.

7. The receipts from the pounds this year have increased by Rs. 685-8-3; the receipts being Rs. 1,933-9-6 as against Rs. 1,248-1-3 in the preceding year. I attribute this increase to the majority of the pounds in the town having now been made pukka. Formerly the pounds were bamboo erections, which were constantly falling into disrepair. Four of them have now been made pukka with masonry walls and telegraph-wire fences. This was done with the view of reducing the cost of constantly repairing and renewing them, and it is gratifying to find that this has also led to increase in their receipts, brought about no doubt by their greater security and permanence. Only two pounds now remain to be made pukka.

8. There has been a large increase in the receipts under the heading of "tolls and ferries." The receipts from the ferries on the Boorigunga river, however, have not increased. They were Rs. 4,315 this year, as against Rs. 4,940 in 1872-73. This is due to there having been keen competition for the ferries in 1872-73, which did not exist in 1873-74. But there was no outstanding balance on this account at the end of this year. The full amount of the demand was collected. The great increase under this heading was due to the tolls on the Dholai Khal having been made over to the municipality by Government in April 1873. The receipts from this source amounted to Rs. 6,222-14-3 in 1873-74.

9. The collections on account of "rent of houses, gardens, and lands belonging to the municipality," fell to Rs. 1,572-0-3 this year, as against Rs. 1,897-15-6 in the preceding year. The cause of this is that there were but few arrears to collect in 1873-74, and the rents of the municipal bazar of "Committeegunge" fell off owing to the establishment, by Baboo Kahnarain Roy, Bahadoor, of a rival bazar within the town in close proximity to it. This bazar is, however, now extinct.

10. The receipts from "fines" have very much fallen off this year. Only Rs. 520-1 were collected from this source this year, while in 1872-73 the receipts from fines amounted to Rs. 1,322-14-9. This is no doubt owing to the introduction of the bench system. In 1872-73, and in preceding years, all cases of breaches of municipal regulations were tried by the Vice-Chairman, assisted latterly by Mr. A. MacBean, local bank agent, formerly Secretary to, and long a member of, the municipality. This year these cases have been heard by benches of Honorary Magistrates, who are certainly very leniently inclined, for out of the 447 cases tried by them, they convicted in 174 only. The fines they inflicted were also very light. The bench system is perhaps better suited for the trial of municipal than of any other class of cases, but *quot homines, tot sententiæ;* and there can be no doubt that there is considerable variance in the views taken by the different benches as to what is and what

is not a municipal offence, as well as in the punishments awarded by them. The old system would seem better adapted for the systematic repression as well as for the uniform punishment of municipal offences.

11. The receipts from miscellaneous sources decreased from Rs. 6,262-13-3 in 1872-73 to Rs. 3,410-0-3 in 1873-74. But the receipts under this heading in the former year included a grant of Rs. 5,000, received from Government, for filling up noxious hollows in the town. The collections under this head this year include a sum of Rs. 1,000 received from Government for the widening and improvement of the road leading to the railway ghât.

12. The expenditure of the municipality has very much increased this year. It has risen to Rs. 68,125-9-10 this year, as against Rs. 55,293-1-6 in 1872-73. The details of this expenditure, and the explanation of this increase, are as follows.

13. The cost of the municipal police force rose from Rs. 14,082-2-2 in 1872-73 to Rs. 14,479 in 1873-74. This is due to the municipality having provided the town Inspector, Mr. Anania, with free quarters in 1873-74. In 1872-73 the Baboo Bazar section was located in a small house at a rental of Rs. 8 per month, but in 1873-74 a large house, at a monthly rental of Rs. 35, was engaged for it, and the upper story was given to Mr. Anania as a residence. Still the cost of the police in 1873-74 was much below the estimate, as Rs. 15,379 had been provided in the budget for this item of expenditure.

14. The details of the charges under the head of "conservancy" are given on the margin. The charges under this head have slightly increased this year, having been Rs. 12,170-10 in the preceding year. The cause of the increase is that some additions to the establishment for sweeping the streets, cleaning the drains, and removing corpses and carcasses, have been made this year. Additional carts and bullocks for the removal of street sweepings have been purchased, and the price of both bullocks' and ponies' food has risen. The pay of two burial-ground watchmen has been entered under this head for the first time this year.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Conservancy	12,393	6	6
2. Latrine establishment	331	8	0
3. Contingencies	924	15	3
	13,649	13	9

15. The expenditure on account of establishment has risen to Rs. 13,111-10-10 this year, from Rs. 11,253-15-9 last year. The details of the charges under this head are given on the margin. The cause of the increase from last year is that the Secretary's pay has been increased this year. The charge for canal tolls is also a new charge this year. The percentage of the cost of collecting the house and wheel-taxes is much the same as last year, viz. a little below 9 per cent. The item of "contingencies" seems a large one, but this includes, *inter alia*, all printing and law charges, cost of stationery, cost of exchanging pice for silver, &c. Under the head of "miscellaneous" are entered the pay of the case-mohurir, the Government Pleader's retaining fee, the interest on the Government loan, office rent, &c.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Office establishment	4,112	10	6
2. Collecting establishment	3,999	12	0
3. Contingencies	1,793	3	0
4. Ferry tolls establishment	171	0	6
5. Canal " "	555	7	0
6. Pounds " "	676	8	0
7. Refunds	22	7	6
8. Miscellaneous	1,850	10	4
	13,111	10	10

16. There has been a very great increase in the expenditure on the roads of the town this year. Rs. 19,582 were expended in keeping them in repair and in re-metalling them this year; while only Rs. 13,503-15-3 were expended on them in 1872-73. Under this head, it must be noted, is charged the pay of the coolies who are kept by the municipality throughout the year, and who, when not repairing the roads, are employed in cutting drains and clearing jungles, which everywhere in Dacca springs up with marvellous rapidity. The following is a list of the principal roads that have been repaired this year:—

1. The road from Baboo Bazar to the Mitford Hospital.
2. The road from Raie Shaheb's Bazar to Nawabpoora.
3. The road from the Chouk, past the jail, to Chand Khan's bridge.
4. The Emamgunge road leading to the railway ghât.
5. The Begumbazar road.
6. The road from Armeniantollah; *viâ* Naiyabazar, to the Mitford Hospital.
7. The west approach to the iron bridge.
8. The road from Srichock's bridge to Mogultooly.
9. The road from Srichock's bridge to Agasadock's Bazar.
10. The road from Lallbagh to Gungaram's Bazar.
11. The Tatee Bazar road.
12. The river bund.
13. The Zindabaha's Lane.

The eighth, ninth, and last three roads were not thoroughly re-metalled, but only repaired with rubbish. The repairs to the other roads were thorough and complete.

17. The expenditure on "works of public utility" has also very much increased this year. The charges under this head amounts to Rs. 7,303-1-3 (the details are given on the margin), while they did not exceed Rs. 4,282-6-4 last year. The explanation of this is partly that the municipality, having more funds at its disposal this year, has spent more, but some of the items have increased. Thus, watering the roads cost Rs. 1,736-4-3 this year, and

	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Watering roads	1,736	4	3
2. Miscellaneous public improvements ...	2,063	4	6
3. Vaccination charges	330	0	0
4. Petty construction and repairs	3,173	8	6
	7,303	1	3

only Rs. 1,311-7-9 last year, but additional establishment had to be engaged, additional water-carts purchased, and many old ones repaired this year. Under the head of miscellaneous public improvements is charged the cost of filling up two noxious hollows at Gwaliyara and Sajiwalnogger, and of taking up the land required for widening the road to the railway ghât. Under the head of "petty construction and repair" is entered the cost of repairing culverts and bridges, the municipal pounds and bullock-sheds, the Committeegunge Bazar houses, the municipal police section-houses and pounds. The increased expenditure under this head this year is chiefly due to four of the pounds having been made pukka this year, as previously explained.

18. I have now explained all items of receipt and expenditure shown in the annual statement submitted with this office No. 59 of the 16th ultimo. I would, in conclusion, briefly allude to the expenditure from the loan of Rs. 25,000 received from Government for the introduction of a better conservancy system into the town. This scheme provides for the construction of public latrines for the use of the poorer inhabitants of the town, and for the systematic clearing of the privies of the more well-to-do residents of the city. The expenses of working this scheme are to be met by a tax on privies, to be levied under the provisions of Act VII of 1870 (The Dacca Conservancy Act). The first step is the erection of the public latrines above mentioned. It is intended to put up ten such latrines. The land for their sites was taken up and cleared this year. Three of the latrines had been completed, and four more were in course of erection at the end of the year. Rs. 6,484-11-4 were this year spent from the loan fund. This includes the cost of the erection of these latrines and a sum of Rs. 456-11-10, the cost of the erection of a small bridge, which is also chargeable to the loan fund. Under Government orders, these works are carried out under the supervision of the Superintending Engineer. Sanction to the collection of the privy-tax was also received from Government this year, but the provisions of the Act have not been put in force, pending the completion of these public latrines.

19. The superior officials connected with the municipality were the same this year as last. The Secretary and Engineer, Mr. Mackenzie, has discharged his duties most ably and efficiently, and it is a subject of congratulation that the municipality has been able to retain his services.

DACCA DISTRICT.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of the Dacca Municipality under Act III of 1864 (Bengal Council), in Bengal, in the year 1873-74.

MEMBERS	Europeans	8
	Natives	15
	Officials	7
	Non-officials	16
	Total	23
Number of sittings held during the year		24
POPULATION	Hindoos	34,433
	Mahomedans	34,275
	Christians	479
	Other races	25
	Total population	69,212

		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance at the close of the preceding year		16,063	0	0
INCOME	Tax on houses, lands, and buildings	39,177	0	0
	Tax on horses, carriages, and carts, &c., including registration fees	4,779	0	0
	Cattle-pound	1,933	0	0
	Tolls and ferries	10,537	0	0
	Rent of municipal bazar	1,572	0	0
	Fines levied under the municipal law	520	0	0
	Other sources	* 3,412	0	0
	Total income	(b)61,930	0	0
Incidence of municipal taxation proper per head of population		(a) 0	10	1
Income of the past year		60,646	0	0
Average income of the three preceding years		57,443	0	0
EXPENDITURE	Police	14,479	0	0
	Conservancy	15,386	0	0
	Establishments	11,261	0	0
	Roads	19,582	0	0
	Works of public utility, including lighting	5,566	0	0
	Miscellaneous	1,851	0	0
	Total expenditure	68,125	0	0
Balance in hand at the close of the year		9,868	0	0

N.B.—Column 16, plus column 26, minus column 37 = column 38.

N.B.—The incidence of taxation per head of population is calculated upon the tax on houses, lands, &c. (column 17).

* Miscellaneous receipts, 2,959.
License fees, 451.
Total of fractions 2.

(a) The incidence of taxation per head of population is calculated upon the income shown in columns 17 and 18.

(b) The increase of income in column 26, compared with that shown in column 29, is owing to the inclusion of the Dholai Khall tolls under Government order No. 7051, dated 30th December 1874.

NOTES ON THE CYCLONE OF THE 15TH AND 16TH OCTOBER.

Saugor Island.—Up to the evening of the 14th of October, the barometer gave no indication of the coming storm. At 4 P.M. on that day it stood at 29·725, reduced for temperature, having risen 0·003 since the same hour of the previous day, and was not below the average for the time of day and year. The wind was a *light air* from north-east during the day, but in the evening increased to a light breeze from the same quarter, with an overcast sky and drizzling rain. During the night the barometer commenced to fall, and by 10 A.M. of the 15th stood at 29·621, showing a fall of 0·201 since the same hour of the previous day. The wind had increased steadily from the north-east to a fresh breeze, with squalls and scuds, and 1·9 inches of rain had fallen during the night. Up to noon the wind had not increased in force, but had veered from the north-east to east-north-east. From that time the barometer fell rapidly, and the wind, increasing in force, had veered round to south-east by 4 P.M., when it was blowing a *moderate gale*; velocity 51 miles an hour, with heavy squalls and torrents of rain. At 5 P.M. the barometer was lowest—29·172, reduced, while the wind remained at south-east. From this hour the barometer rose rapidly, but the wind further increased as it veered to south-south-west, and at 6 P. M. was blowing a *fresh gale* of 61·8 miles an hour, with violent squalls and heavy rain. By 10 P.M. the wind commenced to decrease, but continued as a *moderate gale* from the south-west for some hours.

Cuttack.—From the special telegraphic reports called for from Cuttack on the 15th instant, it appears that the storm was quite unfelt there, and the barometer fell but slightly. The wind was light from the west.

Calcutta.—On the 14th of October *light air* from north-east, with a cloudless sky up to the evening, when the wind shifted to the east and south-east, and the sky became overcast. At 4 P.M. the barometer stood at 29·748 inches, reduced, and had risen 0·043 since the same hour on the previous day. On the morning of the 15th the appearance of the weather was threatening; sky overcast; wind from east-north-east, and scuds from the same quarter. The barometer, up to 10 A.M., however, had fallen very slightly, 0·045 since the previous day, being about the same fall as the rise up to the evening before. As the day advanced, the appearance of the weather became much worse. Low, dark, elongated masses of clouds floated by from east-north-east, and there were frequent heavy showers of driving rain. At 4 P.M. the wind was east by north; velocity seventeen miles. The barometer had fallen 0·133 since the previous day, and 1·27 inches of rain had been recorded since the morning. From 4 P.M. to 8 P.M. the barometer fell but slightly, and the wind and weather remained about the same. From 9 P.M. the wind commenced to veer slowly round towards south-east, increasing in force to a *moderate gale*; velocity forty-five miles. The maximum pressure of 12lbs. on the square foot (corresponding to a velocity of 49 miles an hour), as registered at the Surveyor-General's Office, occurred in a squall at 9-45 P. M. The barometer stood at 29·511, reduced, at 10 P.M., and from this time to midnight it rose slightly, and the wind decreased for about an hour from 11 to 12. But the barometer fell again slightly from midnight to 2 A.M. of the 16th, when the lowest reading, 29·486, was recorded at the Surveyor-General's Office. The wind also slightly increased again until 4 A.M. It continued as a strong, gusty, southerly breeze during the morning, and by 10 o'clock had gone round to the south-west.

Burdwan.—From the Meteorological Register for the half month ending the 15th October, it appears that at 10 A.M., on the 15th, the barometer, corrected and reduced, stood at 29·733 inches, having fallen 0·017 since the previous day. Wind a light air from east, sky overcast, and passing showers. At 4 P.M. barometer 29·592, fallen 0·064 since previous day; wind light from east-north-east; overcast with drizzling rain.

Of the passage of the storm over Burdwan no accurate observations have yet been received. The following approximative account, however, is gathered from such reports as have come to hand, or have been published in the daily newspapers:—

The wind, blowing from the north-east, gradually became gusty, and increased in force during the night of the 15th, and by 1 A.M. of the 16th was commencing to blow with considerable violence. (Most of the accounts state that the wind was north-east at this time. One, however, gives east; another states that the wind was from north-west to north at 1 A.M., and afterwards had veered round to the east by 4 A.M.) The storm had reached its maximum force by 3 A.M., and the wind blew with unabated fury up to about 5-30, or 6 in the morning, the wind having veered from north-east to east. About this time a lull, which lasted from between half an hour to three-quarters, was felt, after which the wind re-commenced with full fury from between south and south-west. (One account states that the lull commenced at 6 A.M. and lasted a quarter of an hour; a second, that it commenced at 6 A.M. and lasted more than half an hour; a third, that it lasted about an hour, and that the wind re-commenced to blow at 7 A.M. from south; a fourth account says that the wind suddenly stopped at 5-30 A.M., from which time there was a perfect calm to 7 o'clock, when the wind began to blow from due west with as great violence as before the lull.) By 9 A.M. the wind had commenced to moderate and the storm was over at noon. A series of observations, made with an aneroid, shows that the pressure of the atmosphere was least at 5-51 A.M., 27·83 inches. Nothing, however, is known as regards the quality of this instrument, and its correction is not given. For the only readings which have been received of a mercurial barometer, I am indebted to a lady who made two observations during

the passage of the storm over Burdwan. At 2 A.M., 29·2, and at 5 A.M., 27·3. It is presumed that these readings are unreduced for temperature.

Probable track of the Vortex.—The information which has as yet been received is not sufficient to determine absolutely any point on the track of the vortex of the storm, except Burdwan. It appears that the diameter of the destructive part of the storm, when passing Burdwan, was not much less than 60 miles (the distance along the Railway from Pundooah to Pannaghur, over which the storm is reported to have been felt with considerable violence). Assuming a diameter of about 60 miles, and that it was the same vortex which passed to the west of Saugor Island on the evening of the 15th, and over Burdwan on the morning of the 16th, the following probable track of the vortex may be inferred from the veering of the wind at Saugor Island and Calcutta.

The vortex probably came up the Bay, moving from south-south-east to north-north-west, and was nearest to Saugor Island Light-house between 5 and 6 P.M. of the 15th, the centre bearing from that place west-south-west, about 30 miles distant. At about 7 P.M. it probably passed between Jelasore and Contai, and between 11 and 12 was about due east from Midnapore (no accounts have yet been received from this place). The central calm passed over Burdwan between 6 and 7 A.M. on the morning of the 16th, and the vortex passed a little to the west of the station.

No accounts of the further progress of the storm have been received, but the rainfall returns from Soory and Rampore Hât indicate that the storm probably passed near those places.

The above track of the cyclone would give a mean velocity a little over 10 miles an hour as the rate at which the vortex progressed.

Storm Warnings.—Immediately after the receipt of the 10 A.M. telegram from Saugor Island, which, however, arrived later than usual on the 15th instant, instructions were sent by telegraph to hoist the signals at the river stations. The single cone was hoisted about 2 P.M., and about 4-45 P.M. the double cone was substituted. During the night, lights were hoisted both in Calcutta and at the river stations. At 5 o'clock, however, the reports from Saugor, and the state of the weather and barometer in Calcutta, made it clear that the storm was passing by Saugor Island to the westward, and no serious danger was apprehended for Calcutta, as it was anticipated that the track of the storm would be considerably to the westward; hence the *danger* signals were not exhibited.

Rainfall near the track of the storm on the 15th and 16th.—Saugor Island 5·5 inches Diamond Harbour 3·32, Calcutta 5·83, Midnapore 10·51? Howrah 5·53, Burdwan 6·65, Bankoora 1·75, Raneegunge 1·47, Soory 4·84, Rampore Hât 5·92.

The following are some meteorological observations made at Saugor Island and Calcutta during the passage of the cyclone. The wind directions as observed at the Surveyor-General's Office, and those taken from the anemograph curve traced out by the self-registering instrument at the Meteorological Office, are not quite in accordance. Neither are the barometrical observations taken at different places. The difference of altitude between the barometers may, however, account for some apparent discrepancies. 0·015 has been added to all the readings of Casella's small standard No. 714, as an approximate correction to Newman's No. 86. This correction, however, does not seem to be sufficient.

Extract from Observations taken at the Surveyor-General's Office, Calcutta.

October 1874.	Hour.	Barometer No. 86 reduced to temp. 32° Fah.	Attached Thermometer.	Direction of wind.	Pressure in pounds per square foot.
15th	17	29·605	79·3	E	5·0
	18	570	79·0	E	5·0
	19	568	79·0	E	6·0
	20	577	79·2	E	4·0
	21	540	79·2	E by S	7·5
	21-50	531	79·0	E S E	.....
	22	535	79·0	E S E	10·0
	22-10	521	79·0	E S E	.....
	22-20	531	79·0	E S E	.....
	22-30	521	79·0	S E	.....
	22-40	531	78·9	S E	.....
	22-50	531	78·9	S S E	.....
	23	539	78·9	S S E	6·0
	23-45	539	79·0	S	.....
	24	531	78·9	S	8·0
16th	1	508	78·8	S	8·0
	2	486	78·5	S	8·0
	3	494	78·0	S	9·0
	4	520	78·0	S	9·0
	5	534	78·0	S	7·0
	6	581	78·0	S W	4·0
	7	611	78·0	S W	4·0
	8	660	78·4	S W	3·0
	9	691	79·4	S W	2·0
	10	705	79·7	S S W	1·0

4·86 inches of rain from 5 P.M. of the 15th, to 8 A.M. of the 16th. Maximum pressure of wind, 12 lbs. at 9-45 P.M. of the 15th.

Direction and Velocity of wind as taken from Anemograph curves traced out by the self-registering instrument at the Meteorological Office.

October 1874, day.	Hour.	Mean direction of wind.	Varying from.	Mean velocity in miles per hour.
15th	12	E by N		14
	13-30	N E		.....
	14	E N E		15
	15	E N E		15
	16	E by N	E N E to E	17
	17	E by N	Ditto	20
	18	E N E	Ditto	20
	18-30	E N E	N E to E S E	.....
	19	E	E by N to E by S	33
	20	E	E by N to E S E	30
	21	E by S	E by N to S E by E	33
	22	E S E	E to S E	45
	23	S E by E	E by S to S S by E	40
	24	S E	E S E to S S E	25
16th	1	S E	E S E to S S E	30
	2	S E by S	S E by E to S by E	30
	3	S S E	S E to S	20
	4	S by E	S E to S by W	20
	5	S	S E by S to S by W	20
	6	S by W	S by E to S S W	20
	7	S S W	S to S W by S	20
	8	S S W	S to S W	20
	9	S W by S	S S W to S W	18
	10	S W by S		15
	11	S W		20
	12	S W		
	13	S W by W		
	14	W S W		
	15	W S W		
	16	W by S		

Interrupted Barometrical observations made at No. 3, Albert Road.

October 1874, day.	Hour.	Barometer No. 714 reduced for temp. and corrected.	Attached Thermometer.	Remarks.
14th	15-50	29·751	85	Wind, which had been light all day from north-east with a cloudless sky, now suddenly gone round to east and south-east, light breeze and overcast.
	2-10	715	82	
	8-35	766	80	
	10	769	80	
	12	697	80	
	12-40	659	80	
	19	560	80	
	19-30	575	80	
	21	533	80	Blowing hard from east and east-south-east, with some heavy gusts.
	21-15	528	80	
15th*	21-40	524	79·7	Wind the same.
	22	511	79·7	Torrents of driving rain. Wind not increased since 9 P.M.
	22-15	514	79·6	Wind somewhat moderated. Rain in torrents. Barometer rising.
	22-30	527	79·6	Wind decidedly less, and going round more to south. Torrents of rain.
	22-45	532	79·5	Wind stronger, south-east by east. Less rain.
	23	534	79·3	Rain heavier than before. Torrents with each squall; then ceases for a few moments and then comes on again. Wind, a strong gusty breeze.
	23-15	540	79·2	Wind as before, and from south-east, with torrents of rain.
	23-30	547	79·3	Rain heavier than ever; wind as before. Barometer risen considerably since 10 P.M.
	5-30	545	79	Wind southerly. No rain. Moderate breeze.
16th	6-20	602	79·5	Wind south. Moderate breeze. Drizzling.
	6-45	629	78·4	Moderate breeze from south-south-west.
	7	620	78·3	
	9	693	79	Moderate breeze from south-west.
	9-35	707	79	
	10	713	79	
	.....	.....	.....	

* Slight squall from north-east, with rain.

SPECIAL TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS.

Meteorological Office, Calcutta, the 15th October 1874.

STATIONS.	Month.	Day.	Hour.	Barometer reduced to 32°.	Rise or fall since previous day, same hour.	Barometer reduced to sea level.	Temperature.	Humidity Sat.=100.	WIND. Dir.	WIND. Velocity.*	Inches of Rain.	Clouds.	Weather Initials.
Sangor Island ...	October.	15th	10	29·621	— 201	29·627	80	91	N E	30·4	1·90	N	O. Q. R. scuds.
		,,	12	516	...	522	...	...	E N E	30·5	...	N	D. O. Q. ditto.
		,,	13	433	...	439	...	...	E	34·8	...	N	O. R. Q. ditto.
		,,	14	357	...	363	...	...	E	40·8	...	N	O. Q. R. ditto.
		,,	15	264	...	270	...	...	E S E	41·0	...	N	O. Q. R. ditto.
		,,	(a)16	219	— 506	225	79	90	S E	51·2	1·40	N	O. Q. R. ditto.
		,,	(b)17	172	...	178	...	...	S E	51·2	...	N	O. Q. R. ditto.
		,,	18	219	...	225	...	...	S E	51·2	...		
		,,	19	298	...	304	...	...	S S W	51·8	...		
		,,	20	385	...	391	...	...	S S W	61·8	...	N	O. Q. R. ditto.
		,,	22	540	...	546	...	...	S	51·6	...	N	O. Q. R. ditto.
		16th	2	596	...	602	...	...	S W	33·0	...	N	O. Q. ditto.
Cuttack ...	ditto ...	14th	16	622	— 020	704	83	71	N N E	6·6	...	C N C	
		15th	10	655	— 069	738	77	81	W	4·4	...	N	D.
		,,	14	555	...	637	...	...	W	9·2	...	...	Q.
		,,	18	575	...	657	...	...	W	2·6	...	...	Cloudy.
		,,	22	645	...	737	...	...	W	1·4	...	N	Ditto.

N.B.—Humidity is calculated by August's formula, modified by Regnault.
* Velocity in miles per hour.
(a) After this hour telegraphic communication was interrupted.
(b) Received on the morning of the 16th.

CALCUTTA,
The 20th October 1874.

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PRICES-CURRENT of Food-grains and Salt in the

QUANTITIES PER RUPEE BY

Number.	DISTRICTS.	Wheat. Present return.	Wheat. Next preceding return.	Wheat. Corresponding return of last year.	Barley. Present return.	Barley. Next preceding return.	Barley. Corresponding return of last year.	Rice, best sort. Present return.	Rice, best sort. Next preceding return.	Rice, best sort. Corresponding return of last year.	Rice, common. Present return.	Rice, common. Next preceding return.	Rice, common. Corresponding return of last year.	Bullrush Millet—Cumboo, Bajra. Present return.	Bullrush Millet—Cumboo, Bajra. Next preceding return.	Bullrush Millet—Cumboo, Bajra. Corresponding return of last year.
	BENGAL.															
	Western Districts.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.
1	Burdwan	A 12 12	13 8	11 0	16 0	16 0	...	12 0	12 12	14 4	12 12	13 0	15 0	...	...	...
2	Bankoora	B 13 12	13 12	12 4	21 0	21 0	22 0	12 0	11 8	13 4	14 0	13 2	16 0	...	...	...
3	Beerbhoom	C 12 0	12 0	13 0	14 0	15 0	...	10 8	9 8	16 0	12 12	11 4	16 8	...	...	...
4	Midnapore	12 0	12 0	12 0	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	17 8	14 0 to 20 0	14 0 to 7 0	24 0	...	...	...
5	Hooghly	D 12 8	12 8	12 0	...	...	...	8 0 and 8 8	8 0 and 8 8	11 0	11 0 and 11 8	11 0 and 11 8	18 0	...	...	...
	Howrah															
	Central Districts.															
	Calcutta.	12 12	13 0	...	16 0	16 0	...	8 0	8 0	...	12 0	11 8	...	...	...	...
6	24-Pergunnahs	E 11 4	12 4 to 13 12	14 8	E 13 5	13 5	26 8	F 7 4	7 4	8 0	11 4	11 4	19 0	...	...	...
7	Nuddea	12 5	12 13	12 12½	...	...	26 10	...	...	14 8½	G 9 8	10 0	16 7	...	...	...
8	Jessore	H 12 4	12 4	13 0	...	...	...	10 10	11 0	17 8	12 12	14 0	26 8	...	...	...
9	Moorshedabad	I 15 0	15 0	14 0	E 16 0	14 0	16 0	9 0	9 0	8 4	12 8	12 8	12 0	...	...	...
10	Dinagepore	12 12	12 12	13 0	11 0	11 0	18 0	12 0	11 0	13 0	20 0	19 4	19 0	...	...	...
11	Maldah	16 0	16 0	14 0	20 0	20 0	32 0	11 8	11 8	15 0	18 0 to 22 0	18 0 to 21 8	16 0	14 0	14 0	30 0
12	Rajshahye	13 8 to 14 4	13 8 to 14 4	12 0	...	...	...	7 8 to 9 12	7 8 to 8 4	13 8	15 0 to 16 0	12 0 to 16 0	15 0	...	...	...
13	Rungpore	J 12 15	12 15	14 0	...	...	...	7 7	7 7	11 13	22 0	18 0	15 10	...	...	...
14	Bogra.*	10 8	10 8	12 0	...	...	...	7 8	6 12	13 0	16 8	16 8	18 0	...	...	...
15	Pubna.†															
16	Darjeeling	6 0	6 0	5 0	7 0	7 0	5 0	4 0	4 8	10 0	8 0	8 0	15 0	...	...	...
17	Julpigoree	J 9 3	8 8	...	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	...	12 3	12 0	...	...	...	...
	Cooch Behar.†															
	Eastern Districts.															
18	Dacca	12 0	12 0	12 8	15 0	15 0	32 0	11 0	10 8	21 0	13 8	13 to 14	25 0	...	...	...
19	Furreedpore	K 14 0	14 0	24 0	...	...	...	6 0	6 0	8 0	14 0	14 8	18 0	...	...	...
20	Backergunge	L ...	...	...	...	...	...	11 0	11 0	13 4	13 0	13 0	26 0	...	...	...
21	Mymensingh	M 10 8	10 8	11 4	...	...	...	8 4	8 0	16 0	12 12	12 8	18 0	...	...	...

* Return for next preceding week received after publication of last Gazette.

† Return not received.

A In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 13 to 13-5 seers, barley 16 seers, best rice 11 to 12-11 seers, common rice 12 to 13-9 seers and gram 16 seers per rupee. Communications with Raneegunge, Johanabad, and Cutwa closed in consequence of the late cyclone.

B In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 13 seers, barley 12 to 22 seers, best rice 11-4 to 14 seers, common rice 12-8 to 17-8 seers, maize 12 to 30 seers, and gram 12-8 to 16 seers per rupee.

C In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 7-8 to 14 seers, barley 14 seers, best rice 9-8 to 14 seers, common rice 11 to 16 seers, maize 20 seers, and gram 11 to 16 seers per rupee.

D In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 12-8 to 13 seers, best rice 8 to 8-8 seers, common rice 11 to 12-8 seers, and gram 15 to 16 seers per rupee.

E In the interior only.

F In the interior prices range as follow:—Best rice 8 seers, common rice 11 to 15-4 seers, and gram 14 seers per rupee.

G Coarse rice at 13-5 seers per rupee.

undermentioned Districts of Bengal on the 17th October 1874.

THE SEER OF 80 TOLAS.

Great Millet—Cholum, Jowar.			Lesser Millets—Ragi or Murwa, and Cheena.			Maize or Indian-corn.			Gram.			Fire-wood.			Salt.			DISTRICTS.
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
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																		BENGAL.
																		Western Districts.
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...	...	...	...	...	...	26 4	27 0	32 8	15 0	15 0	20 0	440 0	440 0	360 0	8 4	8 4	8 2	Bankoora.
...	...	...	...	...	...	24 0	24 0	...	13 8	14 0	18 0	240 0	240 0	200 0	8 4	8 4	8 12	Beerbhoom.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14 0	14 0	17 0	180 0	180 0	180 0	8 4	8 4	8 8	Midnapore.
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																		Central Districts
14 0	14 0	...	...	...	...	14 0	14 0	...	16 0	16 0	...	100 0	100 0	...	8 0	8 0	...	Calcutta.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 14	15 4	20 0	120 0	120 0	...	8 0	8 0	8 12	24-Pergunnahs.
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 5	12 4	18 4	160 0	160 0	160 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	Jessore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16 0	16 8	16 0	120 0	120 0	120 0	8 8	8 8	8 8	Moorshedabad.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 8	13 8	15 0	160 0	170 0	98 7	7 12	7 12	7 4	Dinagepore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	25 0	24 0	35 0	16 0	16 0	16 0	120 0	120 0	160 0	8 0	8 0	7 8	Maldah.
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																		Pubna.†
...	...	...	8 0	8 0	10 0	20 0	20 0	23 0	8 0	7 8	8 0	200 0	200 0	200 0	4 0	4 8	4 8	Darjeeling.
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																		Eastern Districts.
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 0	13 0	...	100 0	100 0	160 0	8 0	8 0	8 4	Backergunge.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11 0	11 8	13 0	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	8 4	Mymensingh.

H In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 7 to 13 seers, best rice 10 to 12 seers, common rice 11 to 15 seers, and gram 11 to 15 seers per rupee.

I In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 14-8 seers, best rice 8-8 to 11 seers, common rice 13 seers, and gram 16 seers per rupee.

J In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 9 to 10 seers, best rice 6 to 16 seers, common rice 8-8 to 20 seers, and gram 8 to 11-5 seers per rupee.

K In the interior prices range as follow :—Common rice 12-8 to 13 seers, and gram 13 seers per rupee.

L In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 10-8 to 12 seers, common rice 13 to 14 seers, paddy 22 to 25 seers, and gram 8 to 12 seers per rupee.

M In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 11 to 12 seers, best rice 8 to 10-4 seers, common rice 10 to 16 seers, and gram 8-8 to 13 seers per rupee.

N In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 13 to 16 seers, and common rice 14 to 19 seers per rupee.

O In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 11 to 13 seers, and common rice 12 to 16 seers per rupee.

PRICES-CURRENT of Food-grains and Salt in the undermentioned

Number.	DISTRICTS.	QUANTITIES PER RUPEE BY																							
		WHEAT.			BARLEY.			RICE, BEST SORT.			RICE, COMMON.			BULRUSH MILLET—CUMBOO, BAJRA.		
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
		S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.
	Eastern Districts—(Contd.)															
22	Chittagong*	N 9 0	10 0	10 0	...	...	...	10 0	10 0	15 0	16 0	16 0	20 0	...	...	..
23	Noakholly	...	...	...	...	...	...	O 11 0	10 8	16 0	12 8	12 0	22 0	...	...	...
24	Tipperah.†															
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts	...	...	...	...	...	...	9 6½	9 6	13 13	10 0	10 0	16 0	...	...	...
	Hill Tipperah*	8 0	8 0	10 0	...	...	...	8 8	8 8	20 0	13 3	13 3	23 0	...	...	...
	BEHAR.															
26	Patna	17 4	17 0	24 0	27 0	28 0	31 0	12 0	14 4	...	15 8	14 12	21 0	...	...	...
27	Gya	P 12 8	12 8	9 8	17 8	17 0	15 0	9 8	9 0	8 8	13 8	12 0	10 0	...	...	...
28	Shahabad	15 0	13 0	13 12	20 0	19 0	21 8	10 8	13 12	15 0	11 12	11 8	15 8	18 0	...	...
29	Tirhoot	Q 14 0	13 8	10 0	18 0	18 8	20 0	7 8	16 8	13 8	16 8	14 0	15 8	...	...	...
30	Sarun	16 4	16 4	11 8	21 0	21 0	19 0	7 4	7 4	12 0	15 8	14 8	13 0	...	...	...
31	Chumparun	R 11 12	11 8	16 0	18 8	18 8	33 0	8 0	8 0	12 0	22 0	18 8	18 0	...	...	...
32	Monghyr	16 8	16 8	13 6	21 0	23 1	23 1	9 4	9 4	9 4	13 6	13 6	11 5	...	...	...
33	Bhagulpore	16 6	15 12	12 10	20 3	20 3	20 3	10 11	10 11	10 11	13 14	13 4	13 4	...	...	...
34	Purneah	15 0	15 0	12 0	...	...	...	12 8	12 8	13 0	19 0	17 0	14 0	...	...	...
35	Sonthal Pergunnahs	S 13 0	13 0	10 0	...	...	...	9 0	9 0	16 0	11 0	10 0	18 0	R 16 0	16 0	16 0
	ORISSA.															
36	Cuttack*	17 1	17 1	15 12		...	...	17 1	18 6	22 5	23 10	23 10	31 8	...	...	...
37	Pooree	13 2	13 2	14 7	...	...	...	17 1	17 1	24 14	23 10	23 10	34 6	...	...	...
38	Balasore*	10 8	10 0	12 0	...	...	...	16 0	16 0	16 0	21 0	21 0	32 0	...	...	...
	CHOTA NAGPORE.															
	South-West Frontier Agency.															
39	Hazareebagh	12 0	11 4	11 12	10 0	...	16 0	9 0	9 0	10 0	15 0	14 0	13 4	...	...	...
40	Lohardugga	10 8	11 0	13 0	16 0	17 0	...	16 0	18 0	12 8	17 0	18 0	14 0	...	...	...
41	Singbhoom	11 0	11 0	20 0	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	15 0	24 0	22 0	20 0	...	...	...
42	Manbhoom	T 11 0	11 0	12 8	E { 16 0 to 20 0 }	{ 16 0 to 20 0 }	{ 20 0 to 30 0 }	10 0	9 8	14 0	15 0	14 0	15 0	P 17 0	17 0	40 0

* Return for next preceding week received after publication of last *Gazette*.
† Return not received.
P In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 14 to 15-8 seers, barley 17 to 22 seers, best rice 12 seers, common rice 15 to 16 seers, lesser millet 22-8 to 32-8 seers, maize 17-8 to 27 seers, and gram 16 to 18 seers per rupee.
Q In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 10-8 to 16 seers, barley 13 to 24 seers, best rice 8 to 14 seers, common rice 9-8 to 24 seers, lesser millet 20 to 40 seers, maize 18-12 to 40 seers, and gram 14 to 20 seers per rupee.

CALCUTTA,
The 20th October 1874.

Districts of Bengal on the 17th October 1874—(Continued.)

THE SEER OF 80 TOLAS.

Great Millet—Cholum, Jowar.			Lesser Millets—Ragi or Murwa, and Cheena.			Maize or Indian-corn.			Gram.			Fire-wood.			Salt.			Districts.
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	16 0	120 0	120 0	140 0	7 8	7 8	8 0	Chittagong.*
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18 0	10 0	12 0	280 0	280 0	...	8 0	8 0	7 8	Noakholly.
																		Tipperah.†
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	280 0	280 0	320 0	6 6½	6 6	6 10	Chittagong Hill Tracts.
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																		BEHAR.
22 0	24 0	...	...	...	...	24 0	23 0	34 8	23 0	24 0	34 8	150 0	150 0	...	7 8	7 8	8 0	Patna.
B 16 4	19 0	...	22 0	22 8	15 0	24 4	21 0	15 0	16 8	16 0	13 0	180 0	180 0	160 0	7 4	7 4	7 0	Gya.
19 0	19 0	22 0	20 0	...	...	21 0	...	...	21 0	18 8	22 8	160 0	...	...	8 0	8 0	8 8	Shahabad.
...	...	...	27 8	25 0	25 0	27 0	24 0	25 0	18 8	18 0	17 0	140 0	140 0	...	7 4	7 4	7 8	Tirhoot.
21 0	20 0	22 0	24 0	22 0	24 0	23 8	22 0	20 0	19 8	19 8	19 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	7 12	7 12	8 0	Sarun.
...	...	...	29 0	29 0	40 0	28 0	28 0	38 0	16 0	18 0	26 0	...	...	...	7 8	7 4	6 12	Chumparun.
...	...	...	... E	...	...	25 2	24 1	17 8	21 0	19 9	18 9	147 0	147 0	147 0	7 8	7 8	7 5	Monghyr.*
...	...	...	32 0	32 0	60 0	25 4	24 0	21 7	18 4	19 9	20 3	151 8	151 8	176 12	7 14	7 14	8 3	Bhagulpore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16 0	16 0	15 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	7 0	7 0	6 8	Purneah.
...	...	...	...	...	...	35 0	35 0	24 0	17 0	17 0	19 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	7 8	7 9	8 0	Sonthal Pergunnahs.
																		ORISSA.
...	...	...	21 0	21 0	...	...	...	...	22 5	22 5	25 9	200 0	200 0	200 0	10 10	10 10	9 2	Cuttack.*
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...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 8	10 8	10 0	280 0	280 0	280 0	8 0	8 0	7 0	Balasore.*
																		CHOTA NAGPORE.
																		South-West Frontier Agency
...	...	...	30 0	30 0	24 0	27 0	24 0	20 8	13 8	14 0	14 0	240 0	200 0	200 0	7 0	7 0	6 8	Hazareebagh.
...	...	...	48 0	43 0	29 0	36 0	27 0	...	16 0	16 0	15 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	6 8	6 8	6 8	Lohardugga.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	20 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	6 0	6 0	6 0	Singbhoom.
...	...	...	64 0	64 0	...	28 0	32 0	20 0	13 4	13 4	13 0	240 0	240 0	240 0	7 8	7 8	7 8	Manbhoom.

R In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 11-4 to 13-8 seers, barley 16 to 20 seers, best rice 10 to 21 seers, common rice 15 to 22-8 seers, lesser millet 15 to 42 seers, maize 26 to 40 seers, and gram 14 to 20 seers per rupee.

S In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 10 to 12 seers, best rice 9 to 10 seers, common rice 10 to 11 seers, maize 32 to 50 seers, and gram 12 to 15 seers per rupee.

T In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 11-8 to 12-8 seers, best rice 12 to 22 seers, common rice 13 to 24 seers, maize 23 to 50 seers and gram 10 to 16 seers per rupee.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, State and Prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 17th October 1874.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVISION. 1	Burdwan, 19th* Oct. 1874	4·48	Rainfall at Raneegunge 1·47, at Cutwa 4·80, at Culna 3·34 inches. A cyclone passed over the district from south to north on the night of the 15th, causing some loss of life and great destruction of property; the area of the greatest intensity of the storm crossed the Railway line between Mymaree on the east and Mancoor on the west. The Raneegunge and Culna Sub-divisions lying beyond the limits of the storm's path escaped damages, but the greater part of the Sudder, Bood-Bood, Jehanabad, and Cutwa Sub-divisions have suffered greatly. The number of deaths reported up to date is 24. The town of Burdwan and Sub-divisional stations of Jehanabad, Bood-Bood, and Cutwa have been much damaged, and the Police station-houses at Khundghose, Montessur, Shahebgunge, Roynah, and Indoss destroyed. It is feared that a great deal of the paddy in low lands will be drowned; some of the Government grain golas have been unroofed. The extent of damage done has not yet been fully ascertained.
2	Bankoora, 17th " "	1·75	A good shower fell on the 15th as well as on the 16th October. The rest of the week was dry. The prospects of the crop continue favorable. The strong gale of the 15th and 16th has to a certain extent done injury to the standing crops.
3	Beerbhoom, 17th " "	4·84	Clear during the greater part of the week; strong gale and heavy rain on Friday. State and prospects of crops continue good. Prices falling.
4	Midnapore, 17th " "	10·62	Generally favorable up to Thursday afternoon, when a cyclone passed over the station, far surpassing that of 1864 in violence; the whole station is a wreck. It would appear that the cyclone came up from the south-east and passed a very little east of the station. No news of Hidglee. The crops will probably not suffer much. The late rice will be even better than before, unless the sea has been down over any large tract of country. The cold-weather crops will also benefit; only the Kartick rice, or rice intermediate between aous and amun, will suffer much; jute, hemp, mulberry, and sugarcane will, however, suffer.
5	Hooghly, 17th " "	4·26	Weather clear and cloudy alternately. Smart storm from north-east on Thursday night, when 4·12 inches of rain was registered. Since then clear and sunny. Wind north-east. The rain will benefit the growing crops and the cold-weather crops. The aous, or early rice, has yielded an eight-anna crop on the average.
	Howrah	.....	Return not received.
	Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVISION. 6	24-Pergunnahs, 19th† Oct. 1874.	5·71	Hot during the early part of the week. A gale, accompanied by heavy rain, blew on the 15th; since then the weather has been cooler. The aous or early rice has now been completely harvested. The rain on the 15th has done great good to the late rice, the prospects of which are now very good throughout the district. The storm of the 15th did trifling damage to plantains and sugarcane. Fever abating.
7	Nuddea, 17th Oct. 1874	2·24	Somewhat unsettled in the earlier part of the week; a gale, veering from east to south, and then to west, came on on Thursday evening, and lasted till Friday afternoon. The storm has injured trees and high crops, but the rain which accompanied it has probably done good. Prices still remain high.
8	Jessore, 17th " "	1·74	Somewhat variable. Hot and dry in the beginning of the week. Thursday and Friday were boisterous; a storm with heavy showers. Saturday dry, but cloudy. The prospects of the amun, or late rice, continue promising. Pulses and other winter crops are being sown, and the October sowings of indigo are in progress.
RAJSHAHYE DIVS. 9	Moorshedabad, 18th Oct. 1874.	7·31	At the commencement of the week somewhat hot, but seasonable. During Friday, heavy gale or cyclone, with very heavy rain, blew from east to north-west. Rice crop not injured by rain and wind so far as known, but owing to interruption of communication, reports have not been received from many parts. The high til (oilseed) and mulberry crops will probably be injured. Late transplanted rice will be much benefited. Prices slightly lower.
10	Dinagepore, 16th Oct. 1874.	Nil	Fine bright sunshine. The prospects of the haimunti, or late rice, still continue good.
11	Maldah, 17th Oct. 1874	3·09	The first four days of the week were hot and sunny; there was a change in the weather from Wednesday night; clouds collected all around. The Barometer suddenly fell down to 29·250, and all Thursday and Friday were cloudy, stormy, and rainy. The weather cleared from Saturday morning. The prospects of the late rice crop continue very good. Kalai (pulse) and sarisa (mustard) sowings going on. Rice is a little cheaper.

* Telegram of the 19th October, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

† Report of the 19th October, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.—(*Contd.*)			
	Central Districts.—(Contd.)		
RAJSHAHYE DIVN. 12	Rajshahye	.....	Return not received.
13	Rungpore, 16th Aug. 1874	·22	Weather becoming cooler. Rain has fallen on the night of the 15th and on the 16th. Report on rice crop favorable. Winter rice progressing well everywhere. Outturn of jute good. Ploughing very extensively going on for cold-weather crops.
14	Bogra	... ..	Return not received.
15	Pubna	... ..	Return not received.
COOCH BEHAR DIVN. 16	Darjeeling... ...	.....	Return not received.
17	Julpigoree, 16th Aug. 1874.	0·03	Very fine hot weather and clear sunshine, except the last day, which is very cloudy and slightly rainy. Prospects of crops most excellent.
	Cooch Behar, 15th Aug. 1874.	0·32	Fine weather, a little cloudy towards the close of the week. No change since the last week. Prospects continue favorable.
	Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVISION. 18	Dacca, 19th* Oct. 1874	1·84	Sunshine and rain. State of crops good. Rivers falling.
19	Furreedpore, 17th „ „	1·10	During the first part of the week the weather was bright and sunny. On Wednesday afternoon the sky was overcast with clouds, and on Thursday and Friday very squally, accompanied by rain, generally showery, but at intervals very heavy. On Saturday the weather again cleared up. State of crops continue promising. The rivers continue to fall steadily.
20	Backergunge, 15th Oct. 1874.	0·56	Still rainy and also cool. State and prospects of crops very good.
21	Mymensingh, 16th Oct. 1874.	0·56	Chiefly fine and very hot, but in the east of the district the rainfall has exceeded 5 inches. Rice crops most favorable, but the kalai (pulse) and sursoo (mustard) which have just been sown, are likely to suffer from a continuance of heavy showers.
CHITTAGONG DIVN. 22	Chittagong, 15th Oct. 1874.	1·30	Heavy rain on the 8th. Remainder of the week fine and hot, but on the 15th the weather looked threatening. Prospects of crops continue good. The earlier amun is beginning to come into ear.
23	Noakholly, 15th Oct. 1874	2·13	The first part of the week was rainy and cool; the second part clear and hot. The amun or late rice, and the rice crops which ripen between aous or early, and amun or late rice are in general doing well; but more rain is wanted, and some damage has been done by insects in Hatea and Sundeep.
24	Tipperah, 16th „ „	·37	Rather hot and still; slight rain fell throughout nearly the whole district. In the nine thanas of the Sudder Sub-division the prospects of the amun are reported on as favorable. No report from Brahmunberiah Sub-division.
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts, 13th Oct. 1874.	5·57	Cool and pleasant in the morning, hot at noon. The harvesting of the paddy crop is nearly over. Cotton plants are thriving well. Prospects good.
	Hill Tipperah, 16th Oct. 1874.	2·41	Rather hot; somewhat cloudy. There was little rain with thunder and lightning on the 12th and 14th. Paddy in good condition.
BEHAR.			
PATNA DIVN. 26	Patna, 19th* Oct. 1874	Nil	No change since last report. The crops are reported on most favorable from all parts of the district. And the health of the district is also good.
27	Gya, 17th „ „	Nil	Fine weather. The prospects of the crops continue good. The lands are being prepared for the cold-weather sowings.
28	Shahabad, 17th „ „	Nil	The weather has been somewhat changeable during the past week, clouds flying about; but pretty settled at the time of report. Preparations for the sowings of cold-weather crops are going on fast. The rice crops look well.
29	Tirhoot, 17th „ „	Nil	Hot and cloudy. The prospect of the paddy-crop in Mudhoobunnee Sub-division continue excellent, and in Durbhunga Sub-division prospect of rice crops good. There is no material change in the prospect of crops of the Sudder Sub-division; the price of food-grain shows a tendency to fall. Another heavy downpour in "Sewateah Nachatre" will secure an excellent crop. The floods of Bagmati and Little Gundak have subsided In the Tajpore Sub-division paddy much benefited near Dubsing Serai, and state of people improved. Prices falling. Some fields of rahur, urid and kurthi (pulses) damaged. At Mahuddinnagore all crops improved. The prospects of crops in the rest of the Sub-divisions continue good.

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BEHAR.—(*Contd.*)			
PATNA DIVN.			
30	Sarun, 17th Oct. 1874	Nil	Weather fine, mornings and evenings getting cool; both east and west wind. The bhadoi, or early crops, are coming into the markets more generally. The standing rice crops are doing well; fields are being prepared for the cold weather sowings; sowings have commenced in thanas Chuprah, Pursa, and Degwarah in the Sudder Sub-division, and Durrowlee and Burrowlee in the Sewan Sub-division. Prices of common rice, Indian-corn, jowar, and cheena show a downward tendency.
31	Chumparun, 16th „ „	Nil	At first clear and cool—latterly very hot and damp, with clouds. The crops generally are excellent, and the deficient crops in the south-east have retrieved themselves as far as possible. The rubbee sowings in about 5,000 acres have been destroyed by floods, but most can be resown with better prospects than they had before.
BHAGULPORE DIVN.			
32	Monghyr, 17th „ „	Nil	Fair weather. No change since last week. The rice prospects appear excellent.
33	Bhagulpore, 19th* „ „	·11	Westerly wind and cold weather setting in fast. Aughanee or late rice prospects magnificent. Health very good.
34	Purneah, 17th „ „	0·03	Cool with high wind. State and prospects of the crops are prosperous.
35	Sonthal Pergunnahs, 17th Oct. 1874.	1·75	Half a gale on Friday, with driving rain; no harm done as far as ascertained. Blowing for about 12 hours from a point east-of-north. Sub-division returns not received. Crops excellent everywhere.
ORISSA.			
ORISSA DIVISION.			
36	Cuttack, 19th* Oct. 1874	2·4	Weather unsettled; looks like break up of rains. Crops in splendid condition. Public health good.
37	Pooree, 14th „ „	·68	Cloudy and cool. The early rice crop has been reaped with a fair outturn, and is also partly ripening. Late rice crops are coming into ear and being weeded. Damage to the crops by caterpillars continues, though it is not so bad as heretofore. The crops on the unflooded tracts are doing well and promise an ordinary average. Pulses being sown. Rain is shortly expected and required. Prices stationary.
38	Balasore, 16th „ „	2·20	The sky looked occasionally cloudy. The weather was rather hot. There were four showers in the week. The prospect of the paddy crop was very favorable and promising up to 11 P.M. of the 14th, but a kind of high gale, attended with rain, blew from the north-west from midnight up to 11 P.M. of the 15th, causing damage to a certain extent to, and prostrating the paddy plants which flowered, as well as those which were luxuriant. The Beali rice harvest is nearly gathered, and rubbee or cold-weather crops are being sown in some places; and owing to heavy showers some lands could not be ploughed and prepared for reception of rubbee crop seeds.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
39	Hazareebagh, 16th Oct. 1874.	0·60	In general fine, but unsettled, and heavy showers in scattered places. The crops are most excellent, but the weather is at present unfavorable for the ripening of the crops which require no further rain. The cold-weather crops are in the ground in many places, and well above ground. This rain will prove beneficial to them.
40	Lohardugga, 17th Oct. 1874.	0·49	Seasonable. The weather looks clear. The prospects of the late rice crop continue to be all that could be desired. In the Palamow Sub-division, a very large area of rubbee crop lands has come under plough. Fever very prevalent, but general health otherwise good.
41	Singbhoom, 16th Oct. 1874.	0·61	Bright and clear the first part of the week, cloudy since 15th. Crops looking superb. Condition of the people satisfactory, but a good deal of fever about.
42	Manbhoom, 17th Oct. 1874.	0·86	Cloudy during the greater part of the week, with rain on the 15th and 16th. In the last report it was stated "that rain would still do good." Three-fourths of an inch fell on the 15th and much good has been done, and although the high wind which followed the rain may have done a little injury to grain that is nearly ripe, the rain has greatly benefited the crops of rice on high ground, where it was really needed. There is every prospect of a good average crop.

* Telegrams of the 19th October, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

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CALCUTTA, STATISTICAL DEPT.,
The 20th October 1874.

R. KNIGHT,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Meteorological Telegraphic Report for the period, 11th to 17th October 1874.

Station.	Date.	Hour.	Barometer reduced to 32°.	Barometer reduced to sea-level.	Thermometer. Dry.	Thermometer. Wet.	Humidity, Sat. =100.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. * Velocity.	Rain.	Clouds.	Weather initials.
Calcutta.	Oct. 11th	10	29·883	29·901	87·0	81·0	76	S S E	1·7	...	K	
		16	29·738	29·756	82·3	77·5	78	N N W	6·3	0·06	K	
	12th	10	29·823	29·841	87·0	82·0	79	N N E	2·3	...	K	
		16	29·702	29·720	89·5	81·0	67	N	6·2	...	K, K	
	13th	10	29·831	29·849	86·5	80·5	75	E	4·0	0·19	.....	b
		16	29·705	29·723	88·6	79·5	65	E	8·3	...	K	
	14th	10	29·817	29·835	87·0	79·0	68	E N E	6·0	...	C	
		16	29·748	29·766	82·7	77·0	76	S E	12·7	...	K	
	15th	10	29·772	29·790	78·0	77·0	95	E N E	9·4	...	.....	r, o
		16	29·615	29·633	79·0	78·0	95	E	18·0	1·27	.....	d, o
	16th	10	29·704	29·722	79·0	76·5	88	S S W	27·4	4·56	.....	o
		16	29·671	29·689	82·4	77·0	76	W by S	18·7	...	S	
	17th	10	29·851	29·869	83·2	78·0	78	S by W	4·9	...	C	
		16	29·773	29·791	87·0	80·5	74	S S E	3·8	...	K	
Saugor Island.	Oct. 11th	10	29·890	29·896	87	81	76	N W	2·3	...	N	b, v
		16	29·702	29·708	83	81	91	W	3·7	0·30	N	b, v, a
	12th	10	29·825	29·831	85	81	83	N N W	6·2	...	N	b, v
		16	29·711	29·717	79	77	90	S E	6·8	1·20	N	b, v
	13th	10	29·832	29·838	86	80	75	E	1·1	...	N	b, v
		16	29·722	29·728	83	78	78	N E	3·5	...	N	b, v, a
	14th	10	29·822	29·828	84	78	75	N E	6·3	...	N	b, v
		16	29·725	29·731	77	96	95	N E	16·3	0·10	N	d, o
	15th	10	29·621	29·629	80	78	91	N E	30·4	1·90	N	o, q, r, scuds.
		16	29·219	29·225	79	77	90	S E	51·2	1·40	N	o, q, r, scuds.
	16th	10	29·756	29·763	84	81	87	S W	22·0	2·20	K	v, scuds.
		16	29·694	29·700	85	81	83	S W	12·8	...	N	b, v
	17th	10	29·852	29·858	83	78	78	S W	12·0	...	C, K	b, v
		16	29·768	29·774	85	79	75	W	11·6	...	N	b, v
Chittagong.	Oct. 11th	10	29·812	29·904	85	80	79	N N W	1·7	...	K, CK	b, v
		16	29·652	29·743	88	81	72	W S W	2·3	...	C, KS	t
	12th	10	29·752	29·851	84	79	79	N N W	1·4	...	K, KS	u
		16	29.663	29·755	83	79	83	W S W	5·9	...	C, KS	t
	13th	10	29.743	29·835	85	78	71	N	4·3	...	.....	b, v
		16	29·640	29·731	88	78	62	W S W	4·8	...	C	b, v
	14th	10	29·740	29·832	87	81	76	E N E	1·7	...	CK, K	b, v
		16	29·655	29·747	86	79	72	S W	5·2	...	KS	b, v
	15th	10	29·802	29·895	82	77	78	S E	2·9	...	K, K	u
		16	29·693	29·786	83	79	83	E S E	5·2	...	CK	b, v
	16th	10	29·762	29·854	85	80	79	S E	2·9	...	K	b, v
		16	29·667	29·759	85	80	79	S E	12·4	...	K, KS	v
	17th	10	29·789	29·881	86	80	75	S	3·8	...	.....	b, v
		16	29·687	29·779	85	80	79	W	9·5	...	C	b, m
Madras.	Oct. 10th	10	29·855	29·885	84	77	71	N W by W	2	...	.....	cloudy.
		16	29·728	29·758	84	78	75	W N W	4	...	.....	cloudy.
	11th	10	29·849	29·879	86	77	64	.....	9	1·04	S by E	cloudy.
		16	29·708	29·738	85	77	68	S E by E	10	...	.....	c
	12th	10	29·834	29·864	85	77	68	S E by E	11	...	.....	c
		16	29·683	29·713	85	77	68	S E	10	...	.....	c
	13th	10	29·811	29·841	87	79	68	S	4	...	.....	c
		16	29·688	29·718	85	77	68	S E	8	0·03	.....	c
	14th	10	29·814	29·844	88	79	65	S E	6	...	.....	c
		16	29·684	29·714	85	78	71	E S E	8	...	.....	c
	15th	10	29·829	29·859	88	78	62	S S W	8	...	.....	c
		16	29·691	29·721	86	79	72	S E by E	10	...	.....	c
	16th	10	29·828	29·858	86	80	75	S S W	3	2·16	.....	c
		16	29·699	29·729	86	79	72	S E	9	...	.....	cloudy.
Cuttack.	Oct. 11th	10	29·810	29·892	86	79	72	E	0·5	...	CK, C	
		16	29·684	29·767	82	78	82	S S W	3·1	0·30	CK, N	p
	12th	10	29·751	29·833	85	79	75	N E	0·2	...	K	g b
		16	29·656	29·738	85	78	71	N E	3·2	...	K, N	u
	13th	10	29·738	29·820	86	80	75	N N E	1·5	1·00	CC, K	
		16	29·642	29·734	83	79	83	S	3·9	...	K, N	d
	14th	10	29·724	29·806	83	77	75	N	1·2	...	CN, C	
		16	29·622	29·704	83	76	71	N N E	6·6	...	CN, C	
	15th	10	29·655	29·738	77	73	81	W	4·4	...	N	q
		16	29·538	29·621	80	79	95	W	9·2	...	N	q
	16th	10	29·724	29·806	83	77	75	W S W	3·3	...	CK	b
		16	29·616	29·698	86	79	72	W	4·4	...	CC, K	b
	17th	10	29·780	29·862	85	80	79	N N E	0·8	...	C, K, C	
		16	29·681	29·763	83	78	78	N by W	3·3	...	C N	
Akyab.	Oct. 11th	10	29·861	29·882	87	82	79	E	1·6	...	.....	b
		16	29·691	29·712	88	82	76	N W	5·0	...	.....	b
	12th	10	29·808	29·829	87	82	79	E N E	2·1	...	.....	b
		16	29·691	29·712	87	82	79	W N W	1·1	...	.....	b
	13th	10	29·826	29·847	84	79	79	N E	3·0	...	.....	b
		16	29·697	29·718	86	81	79	E	2·8	...	.....	g
	14th	10	29·816	29·837	88	80	69	S	2·7	...	.....	b
		16	29·732	29·753	84	80	83	S	5·1	...	.....	b
	15th	10	29·878	29·899	87	82	79	S E	3·8	...	.....	b
		16	29·758	29·779	85	79	75	S	6·6	...	.....	b
	16th	10	29·858	29·879	86	81	79	S	1·9	...	.....	b
		16	29·737	29·758	86	81	79	S W	5·3	...	.....	b
	17th	10	29·861	29·882	86	81	79	E	1·3	...	.....	b
		16	29·756	29·777	85	79	75	W	5·6	...	.....	b, g

* Velocity of wind in miles per hour.

CALCUTTA.
The 17th October 1874.

W. G. WILLSON,
Offg. Meteorological Reporter to the Government of Bengal.

Results of the Meteorological Observations taken at the Surveyor-General's Office, Calcutta, from 8th to 14th October 1874.

Month.	Date.	Mean reduced barometer.	Thermometer. Highest reading.	Thermometer. Lowest reading.	Thermometer. Max. solar radiation.	Mean dry bulb.	Mean wet bulb.	Computed mean dew-point.	Mean degree of humidity.	Wind. Prevailing direction.	Wind. Max. pressure.	Wind. Daily velocity.	Rain.	Moon's phases.	General Remarks.
		Inches.	°	°	°	°	°	°			lb	Miles.	In.		
Oct.	8th	29·785	88·3	79·6	139·0	82·9	79·7	77·5	0·84	S S E, S E & S by E	...	54·0	0·17	...	Stratoni, cirri, cumuli and cirrostrati. Slightly foggy from 5 to 7 A.M.; rain between 4 and 5 P.M.
	9th	·793	90·0	79·5	138·9	83·7	80·1	77·6	·82	S by E & S S E	...	61·9	0·02	...	Clear and cumuli. Lightning on N. at 7 and 8 P.M. Light rain 5 P.M.
	10th	·816	90·0	80·0	148·7	83·7	80·2	77·7	·83	S S E	...	55·6	...	...	Chiefly cumuli. Sheet lightning at 3 A.M. and from 7 to 9 P.M. Drizzled at 4½ P.M.
	11th	·804	90·8	80·5	144·5	83·8	80·3	77·8	·83	S S E & N N E	...	46·5	0·06	...	Clear, cumuli. Thunder at 3 P.M. Sheet lightning at 7 and 11 P.M. Light rain at 3½ P.M.
	12th	·760	91·0	80·0	143·0	84·0	80·1	77·4	·81	N N E, E by N & E by S	4·0	67·3	0·19	...	Clear, cumuli and cumuloni. Strong wind from 4½ to 5 P.M. Foggy at 4 and 5 A.M. Sheet lightning on N.-W. from Midnight to 3 A.M. Thunder and lightning from 4 to 7 P.M.; rain at 3 and between 4 and 5 P.M.
	13th	·764	90·8	79·5	140·5	84·3	79·5	76·1	·77	E by S & E	...	102·7	...	...	Clear and cumuli. Foggy at 5 and 6 A.M.
	14th	·768	89·2	77·5	139·0	82·0	76·2	72·1	·73	E & S E	0·8	177·8	...	...	Cirri and stratoni.

The mean barometer as likewise the dry and wet bulb thermometer means are derived from the twenty-four hourly observations made during the day.

The dew-point is computed with the Greenwich constants. The figures in column 10 represent the humidity of the air, the complete saturation of which being taken at unity. The receiver of the lower rain gauge is 1½ feet, and that of the anemometer 70 feet 10 inches above the level of the ground. The velocity of wind, as indicated by Robinson's anemometer, is registered from noon to noon.

		°
The extreme variation of temperature during the past seven days	...	13·5
The maximum temperature during the past seven days	...	91·0
The maximum temperature during the corresponding period of the past year	...	89·1
The mean humidity during the past seven days	...	0·80
The mean humidity during the corresponding period of the past year	...	0·77
		Inches.
The total fall of rain from 8th to 14th ... by lower rain gauge	...	0·44
The total fall of rain from 8th to 14th ... by anemometer gauge	...	0·35
Ditto ditto ditto, average of twenty previous years	...	1·22
Ditto ditto between the 1st January and the 14th October	...	49·55
Ditto ditto ditto, average of twenty previous years	...	64·73

GOPEENAUTH SEN,
In charge of the Observatory.

The 16th October 1874.

Weekly Return of Traffic Receipts on Indian Railways.

EASTERN BENGAL RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for Week ended 3rd October 1874, *on* 158¼ *miles open.*

	Coaching Traffic.			Merchandise and Mineral Traffic.			Total traffic receipts.
	Number of passengers.	Coaching receipts.		Weight carried.	Receipts.		
		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	Mds. Srs.	Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total traffic for the week ...	29,569	19,821 6 3	1,816 19 3	2,22,218 15	93,945 3 11	8,611 12 11	10,428 12 2
Or per mile of railway	187	125 4 1	11 9 8	1,404 0	593 10 5	54 8 4	65 18 0
For previous 13 weeks of half-year...	338,756½	1,93,410 9 10	17,720 6 2	15,79,142 25	6,16,612 14 4	55,606 3 7	73,326 9 9
Total for 14 weeks	3,68,325½	2,13,232 0 1	19,537 5 5	18,01,361 0	7,10,558 2 3	64,217 16 6	83,755 1 11
Comparison.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year	50,885½	17,746 2 1	1,626 14 8	1,07,896 32	30,781 6 1	2,821 12 6	4,448 7 2
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year	195	112 2 3	10 5 8	682 0	194 8 2	17 16 7	28 2 3
Total to corresponding date of previous year	398,155	2,20,599 14 1	21,046 13 8	19,93,654 31	5,78,666 10 4	53,044 8 8	74,091 2 4

CALCUTTA AND SOUTH-EASTERN STATE RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 10*th October* 1874, *on* 28 *miles open.*

		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	Mds. Srs.	Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total traffic for the week	2,885	1,108 0 0	110 16 0	14,139 0	431 0 0	43 2 0	153 18 0
Or per mile of railway	317	39 8 0	3 19 0	505 0	15 8 0	1 11 0	5 10 0
For previous 14 weeks of half-year...	97,120	12,599 0 0	1,259 18 0	1,63,757 0	4,895 0 0	489 10 0	1,749 8 0
Total for 15 weeks ...	1,06,005	13,707 0 0	1,370 14 0	1,77,926 0	5,326 0 0	532 12 0	1,903 6 0
Comparison.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year	3,949	681 10 3	68 3 3	10,567 0	373 12 9	37 7 8	105 10 11
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year	141	24 5 6	2 8 8	377 0	13 5 7	1 6 8	3 15 4
Total to corresponding date of previous year	63,132	10,981 9 6	1,098 3 1	2,57,795 0	8,762 14 3	876 5 9	1,974 8 10

NALHATI STATE RAILWAY.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 10*th October* 1874, *on* 27¼ *miles open.*

		Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	Mds. Srs.	Rs. A. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total traffic for the week	1,286	983 0 0	98 6 0	1,0429 0	862 0 0	80 4 0	178 10 0
Or per mile of railway	47	36 0 0	3 12 0	383 0	29 8 0	2 19 0	6 11 0
For previous 14 weeks of half-year	14,657	11,434 0 0	1,143 8 0	1,33,877 0	9,166 0 0	916 12 0	2,060 0 0
Total for 15 weeks	15,943	12,417 0 0	1,241 14 0	1,44,306 0	9,968 0 0	996 16 0	2,238 10 0
Comparison.							
Total for corresponding week of previous year.	1,249	1,062 7 4	106 4 11	1,071 20	148 3 3	14 16 5	121 1 4
Per mile of railway, corresponding week of previous year.	46	38 15 10	3 17 11	39 13	5 7 0	0 19 11	4 8 10
Total to corresponding date of previous year.	19,570	14,414 0 4	1,441 8 0	55,993 10	5,093 4 3	509 6 6	1,950 14 6

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STATEMENT OF THE BURDWAN MAHARAJAH'S RELIEF OPERATIONS FOR THE FORTNIGHT ENDING 3rd OCTOBER 1874.

No. 340, dated Burdwan, the 26th October 1874.

From—C. T. BUCKLAND, ESQ., Commissioner of the Burdwan Division,

To—The Offg. Secretary to the Government of Bengal, Scarcity and Relief Dept.

IN continuation of my No. 308—S.R. of the 28th September, I have the honor to submit, for the information of Government, and for publication in the Gazette, the statement of the relief operations of His Highness the Maharajah of Burdwan for the fortnight ending 3rd instant.

Burdwan Maharajah's Relief Operations.—Statement for the fortnight ending 3rd October 1874.

BURDWAN.

Poor-house.—The daily average reported is 1,410, showing a decrease of only five daily in the number of persons receiving food. Good accounts are received. No case of acute distress. A small amount of cloth has been distributed to those who really required it.

BOOD-BOOD.

At Bood-bood the average daily number of persons receiving food has decreased from 615 to 550. General state of things reported as being satisfactory.

KEDINA.

At Kedina there has been a marked decrease in the number of recipients of food, only 365 having daily received their rations during the past fortnight. This, however, has not been entirely spontaneous, but is due to a certain extent to the raw rice ration having been stopped in accordance with the suggestions of the Collector.

CULNA.

Poor-house.—The usual average number of recipients of food at the Culna poor-house is maintained this fortnight, and is likely to be so as long as the price of rice remains as high as it is at present.

Culna outlying depôts.—Three of the outlying depôts, viz. Tehetta, Kusheedanga, and Gram Culna, were closed on the 1st instant; the other two are still kept open, but will be closed whenever the condition of the country permits it.

RELIEF WORKS.

Two hundred and ten persons have been daily employed on relief works during the fortnight. A table is annexed showing the daily numbers relieved at each place.

Statement showing the Daily Number of People relieved during the fortnight ending 3rd October 1874.

Number of people employed at different relief-works—	
Hassan Bagh	41
Tara Bagh	17
Different roads	67
Culna relief-works	85
Total ...	210
Number of people receiving gratuitous relief at different food depôts—	
Burdwan	1,405
Bood-bood	550
Culna	832
Kedina	365
Gram Culna, closed on 1st October	215
Manickhar	200
Tehetta	150
Keeshndanga, closed on 1st October	120
Kadparah, closed on 1st October	140
Total ...	3,977
Grand Total ...	4,187

RAJBARI, CULNA, the 6th October 1874.

M. C. BURDWAN, *Maharaj Adheraj.*

Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, State and Prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 24th October 1874.

	No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.				
		Western Districts.		
BURDWAN DIVISION.	1	Burdwan, 26th* Oct. 1874	Nil	No rain. The late aous or early rice, and early amun or late rice (kirtick sali), which both were nearly ripe, have been considerably damaged, the ears having been blown out by the storm of the 15th, and some of the very backward amun, especially on the low lands south of the Koowoor river and in parts of Cutwa, has been entirely swamped; but the amun crop generally has benefited from the heavy rains, and looks much stronger and more flourishing than it did a fortnight back. The sugarcane has been blown down and injured. Almost everywhere complaints are made that kalai (pulse) and other seeds of the cold weather crops have been wetted and spoilt. If the cold weather crops be sown in time, there is every probability that the crop will be a good one, as the soil is now so moist. Total number of deaths reported up to date, 38. Fever is said to be increasing since the storm.
	2	Bankoora, 24th " "	Nil	Dry, but cloudy during the last few days. Except to the *nuan*, or rice crop intermediate between the aous or early and *amun* or late rice, little or no damage was done to the crops, which are generally flourishing. The ground is being ploughed for the winter crops.
	3	Beerbhoom, 24th " "	Nil	Weather clear and bright. State and prospects of crops continue good. Prices steady.
	4	Midnapore, 24th " "	Nil	Fine and cloudless. As before reported, advanced rice somewhat injured. Late rice doing well, except where inundated. Mulberry much damaged. Indigo somewhat.
	5	Hooghly, 24th " "	·14	Weather clear; wind chiefly from north-east and north. An eight-anna amun or late rice crop may be expected except in two thanas. Prospect of cold weather crops fair.
		Howrah, 24th " "	0·18	Fair till 23rd, when there was some rain. Prospects of crops very good. The late storm only took effect in Khanakool; but heavy rain was general throughout the district, and has been most useful. At Khanakool the police station was blown down and some of the houses also, and four or five persons were thus killed. The crops, however, were not advanced enough to be injured by the storm. The winter rice crop may now be considered safe.
		Central Districts.		
PRESIDENCY DIVN.	6	24-Pergunnahs, 27th† Oct. 1874.	1·57	Warm and sunny during the first five days, and rainy on last two days. The prospects of the late rice crop continue to be favorably reported on. In some places cold weather crops have been sown, and in others lands are being prepared. Fever abating in Satkhira.
	7	Nuddea, 24th Oct. 1874	Nil.	There has been slight rain in some parts. The weather has been warm during the week. The storm did less damage than was generally expected. Even urhur pulse has not suffered very greatly. The prospects of the amun or late rice are on the average fair, and so far everything is most favorable for the cold weather crops, some of which are now germinating.
	8	Jessore, 24th " "	1·11	The weather was generally clear. A heavy shower fell on the 22nd. Wind variable. The prospects of the amun or late rice and cold weather crops continue favorable.
RAJSHAHYE DIVN.	9	Moorshedabad, 24th Oct. 1874.	·21	Cool and dry; a fair shower on the morning of the 24th. The damage done by the cyclone of the 16th is slight. The wind caused some injury of no serious extent to the more advanced late rice crops by blowing out the ears prematurely, and some of the low lying crops have suffered from prolonged submersion. The abundant fall of rain will, on the other hand, prove most beneficial to the other crops, especially those transplanted late. Cold weather crops are being sown. Prices somewhat lower.
	10	Dinagepore, 23rd Oct. 1874.	2·8	There was a good fall of rain in the station last Saturday, which was general throughout the district. The hymanti dhan or late rice has begun flowering in some places. The prospects of the crop have been improved by the late rain. Preparation for sowing cold weather crops being pushed on.
	11	Maldah, 24th Oct. 1874	Nil	Weather fair, with occasional clouds threatening rain. The prospects of the winter or late rice crops continue very good. The sowings for the cold weather crops are going on.
	12	Rajshahye, 24th " "	Nil	There was a violent storm and heavy rain throughout the district on the 16th October. The storm of the 16th has done some slight injury to the late rice and other crops, such as teel (oil-seed), urhur (pulse); but the prospects generally are good. Kalai (pulse) is thriving. Lands are still being ploughed for the cold weather crops, and in some places they are being sown. Cholera or choleraic diarrhœa has broken out in Nattore Sub-division, chiefly in the town.

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† Report of the 27th October, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

	No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.—(*Contd.*)				
		Central Districts.—(Contd.)		
RAJSHAHYE DIVS.	13	Rungpore, 23rd Oct. 1874	8·64	A slight cyclone blew at Kallygunge on the night of the 16th. Since then the weather has been warm and fine. Prospects of all crops excellent. The rain has done much good to the growing rice.
	14	Bogra, 24th „ „	Nil	Late rice crop is excellent. Sugarcane is looking well. Health fair.
	15	Pubna, 24th „ „	Nil.	Mornings cooler; days hot. Prospects very favorable. Some fever and much cholera.
COOCH BEHAR DIVS.	16	Darjeeling, 23rd „ „	Nil.	Bright, clear weather throughout the week. In the hills the early crops have been gathered in; the later crops of maize, wheat, and barlgy, also murwa (millet), are progressing. In the plains everything is doing well. A full harvest is anticipated. The hymanti dhan or winter rice crop and the kallai (pulse) are reported to be particularly fine.
	17	Julpigoree, 23rd Oct. 1874.	0·60	Very fine weather; heavy dews at nights, which are getting cold. Prospects of crops most prosperous. Ploughing going on apace for the potatoe crop.
		Cooch Behar, 22nd Oct. 1874.	4·01	Rain on 16th and 17th. Afterwards fine. Prospects very good.
		Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVISION.	18	Dacca, 26th* Oct. 1874	0·51	Weather cloudy and showery. Crops good.
	19	Fureedpore, 24th „ „	Nil	Weather generally clear during the week, but cloudy on the afternoon of 24th, with a light north-west wind at intervals. State of crops continues good. The rivers are daily falling.
	20	Backergunge, 22nd Oct. 1874.	1·80	Cool and fair, with little rain. State and prospects of crops good.
	21	Mymensingh, 23rd Oct. 1874.	0·90	Mornings up to 8 A. M. cool and pleasant. Days hot. State and prospects of crops most favorable: all that could be desired.
CHITTAGONG DIVS.	22	Chittagong, 22nd Oct. 1874.	·30	Fine and hot. No change to report from last week. Prospects continue favorable, and land is being broken up for cold weather crops.
	23	Noakholly, 22nd Oct. 1874	0·91	The weather has been clear, with occasional showers of rain. There was a strong gale about noon of the 15th. General accounts of the crops are good; but insects have done some damage in the islands, and more rain is everywhere wanted.
	24	Tippersah, 23rd Oct. 1874.	·28	Weather cool for first part of week, then close and hot, threatening storm, only slight rain. In the sub-division of Brahmunberiah the prospects of the late rice crop are reported as "cheering;" rainfall ·64. In the Sudder the prospects of the late rice are good, but no reports received from some of the outlying stations.
	25	Chittagong Hill Tracts, 20th Oct. 1874.	0·24	Foggy, but cool and pleasant mornings, with dry hot noon throughout the week. The harvesting of the paddy crops in the jooms is nearly completed. More rain would be beneficial to the plough cultivators. The cotton is thriving well; the pods have formed. Hillmen are engaged in preparing fields for mustard.
		Hill Tipperah	.....	Return not received.
BEHAR.				
PATNA DIVS.	26	Patna, 26th* Oct. 1874	Nil	No difference since last report. Crops flourishing everywhere. Health good.
	27	Gya, 24th „ „	Nil.	Fine weather, a little cloudy towards the close of the week. Prospects of the rice crop excellent. The rubbee or cold weather crop sowings have commenced. Health good.
	28	Shahabad, 24th „ „	Nil	Fair weather. Cool in the mornings and evenings. Prospects of the rice crops are good. Rubbee or cold weather crops being sown.
	29	Tirhoot, 24th „ „	Nil	Clear weather. In the Tajpore Sub-division prospects of all crops are very promising. Tobacco sown, and rubbee being sown; in some fields beginning to germinate. In Seetamurhee prospect of crops favorable. In the Durbhunga, Mudhoobunnee, and Hajeepore Sub-divisions the prospects of the paddy crop continue excellent, and rubbee sowings have commenced. In the Sudder Sub-division the prospects of crops excellent. Rubbee sowings commenced; price of food-grain gradually falling. A heavy rain is still required to ensure a very good paddy crop. Public health good.
	30	Sarun, 24th „ „	Nil	Weather fine. Mornings and evenings getting cool; both east and west wind. Sugarcane and ruhur (pulse) promising. Standing rice crops doing well. Rubbee or cold weather sowings going on. The early sowings have come up well. Lands are being prepared for indigo. Prices (rice common excepted) steady.
	31	Chumparun, 23rd „ „	Nil	Clear and bright. Heavy dews and mists in the morning. Getting cool. All crops and harvests progressing most favorably.

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BEHAR.—(*Contd.*)				
BHAGULPORE DIVS.	32	Monghyr, 24th Oct. 1874	Nil	Weather fair. No change since last week. The prospects of the crops are excellent.
	33	Bhagulpore, 26th* „ „	Nil	Rain not wanted. Aghani or late rice crops splendid throughout the district Health very good, but fever reported from Mudehpoorah Sub-division.
	34	Purneah, 24th „ „	Nil	Cloudy and warm. Crops excellent.
	35	Sonthal Pergunnahs, 24th Oct. 1874.	0·96	Heavy rain in Doomka on Friday night; clouds cleared off on Saturday. Rajmehal, 1·2. Weather hotter than this time last year in spite of all the rain. Crops look excellent everywhere. Some talk about the late rain injuring paddy in flower. But the kartick paddy is well out of flower, and the aghani or late rice not nearly in flower yet. It is believed that the rain did good. Reports excellent all round.
ORISSA.				
ORISSA DIVISION	36	Cuttack, 26th* Oct. 1874	Nil	Weather cold and cloudy. A fair average crop of rice is now certain. Spring crops being sown. Health good.
	37	Pooree, 22nd „ „	Nil	Partially cloudy and bright; days hot and nights cool. The early rice crop is being reaped with a fair outturn. The late rice crops are coming into ear and being weeded. The prospects of the crops are fair. Pulses are being sown. Rain is shortly expected and required. Prices stationary.
	38	Balasore, 23rd „ „	·30	The weather has been extremely fine throughout the week. The district was caught in the skirts of the storm of the 15th instant, and the two northernmost *thanas* have suffered. As far as the crops are concerned, the only injury done has been to the particular species of rice, which were in flower at the time, and which are limited in quantity, together with a little sugarcane and pulses. The main rice crop is uninjured. Some thirty lives, however, are reported to have been lost by the fall of walls and roofs. There has also been considerable loss of cattle, the extent of which has not yet been ascertained. Enquiries are being actively prosecuted. No damage whatever was done in Balasore town, and to the south the storm was hardly felt.
CHOTA NAGPORE.				
		South-West Frontier Agency.		
	39	Hazareebagh, 23rd Oct. 1874.	Nil	Crops approaching maturity with every favorable prospect. Clouds are, however, hanging about. The cold weather crops are very promising.
	40	Lohardugga, 24th Oct. 1874.	Nil	Clouds still hanging about. The prospects of the late rice crops continue excellent, and all the oil crops promise well. The weather too has been very favorable for the rubbee or cold weather crops. Fever less prevalent. General health fair.
	41	Singbhoom, 23rd Oct. 1874.	0·13	Bright and hot during the whole week, with heavy dew at night. Crops everywhere in excellent condition, and now being cut in parts of the district. The yield of such crops as have already been cut has been exceedingly good. Condition of the people satisfactory, except that there is a great deal of fever about in the district.
	42	Manbhoom, 24th Oct. 1874.	Nil	Weather favorable. There has been no rain during the last week, and none is now required; the rice crops all promise well, and the early kinds on the high lands are now being cut and will produce about a 12-anna crop. Those on the lower lands will produce somewhat more. All the rubbee or cold weather crops are doing very well indeed. The cyclone of the 16th just touched the south-east corner of the district, and it is reported that some damage has been done to the early transplanted rice, which was nearly ripe. Health good. Condition of people satisfactory.

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Number.	DISTRICTS.	QUANTITIES PER RUPEE BY																		
		WHEAT.			BARLEY.			RICE, BEST SORT.			RICE, COMMON.			BULRUSH MILLET—CUMBOO, BAJRA.		
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
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	Western Districts.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.
1	Burdwan	A 13 4	12 12	11 0	16 0	16 0	...	12 0	12 0	14 4	12 8	12 12	15 0	...	...	...
2	Bankoora	B 13 12	13 12	12 4	21 0	21 0	22 0	12 4	12 0	13 4	14 0	14 0	16 0	...	...	...
3	Beerbhoom	C 12 0	12 0	13 0	15 0	14 0	15 0	10 8	10 8	15 0	12 12	12 12	16 8	...	...	...
4	Midnapore.*															
5	Hooghly	D 12 8	12 8	12 0	...	...	...	8 0 and 8 8	8 0 and 8 8	11 0	11 0 and 11 8	11 0 and 11 8	18 0	...	...	...
	Howrah	13 8	14 0	12 0	...	...	...	10 0	10 0	16 0	12 0	13 0	19 0	...	...	...
	Central Districts.															
	Calcutta.	13 0	12 12	...	15 0	16 0	...	8 0	8 0	...	12 0	12 0	...	...	...	...
6	24-Pergunnahs	E 13 0 to 13 5	11 4	14 8	E 14 0	13 5	26 8	7 7	7 4	8 0	F 11 4	11 4	19 0	...	...	...
7	Nuddea	12 5	12 5	11 14	...	...	...	...	...	10 10½	G 9 8	9 8	12 5	...	...	...
8	Jessore	H 12 8	12 4	13 0	...	...	...	10 12	10 10	17 8	13 5	12 12	26 8	...	...	...
9	Moorshedabad	I 15 0	15 0	12 0	E 16 0	16 0	25 0 to 27 0	9 0	9 0	11 0	13 0	12 8	13 8	E 25 0	25 0	24 0
10	Dinagepore	12 12	12 12	12 0	11 0	11 0	17 0	12 0	12 0	11 0	19 0	20 0	14 0	...	...	...
11	Maldah	16 0	16 0	14 0	20 0	20 0	32 0	11 8	11 8	15 0	18 0 to 20 0	18 0 to 22 0	16 0	14 0	14 0	30 0
12	Rajshahye	12 12 to 14 4	13 8 to 14 4	10 8	...	...	...	7 8 to 9 12	7 8 to 9 12	12 0	15 0 to 16 0	15 0 to 16 0	16 0	...	...	...
13	Rungpore	12 15	12 15	14 0	...	...	...	7 7	7 7	11 13	18 0	22 0	15 10	...	...	...
14	Bogra.†	10 8	10 8	12 0	...	...	...	7 8	7 8	13 0	17 4	16 8	18 0	...	...	...
15	Pubna.	14 4	14 0	15 0	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	12 0	15 0	14 0	18 12	...	...	...
16	Darjeeling	6 0	6 0	5 0	7 0	7 0	5 0	4 0	4 0	10 0	10 0	8 0	15 0	...	...	...
17	Julpigoree	J 9 5	9 3	...	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	...	12 0	12 3	...	...	...	...
	Cooch Behar.*															
	Eastern Districts.															
18	Dacca	12 8	12 0	10 8	15 0	15 0	20 0	12 0	11 0	15 0	14 0	13 8	22 0	...	...	...
19	Fureedpore	K 14 0	14 0	16 0	...	...	...	6 0	6 0	8 0	14 8	14 8	18 0	...	...	...
20	Backergunge	L ...	...	...	...	...	...	11 0	11 0	13 4	13 0	13 0	26 0	...	...	...
21	Mymensingh	M 10 4	10 8	11 4	...	...	...	8 4	8 4	16 0	13 0	12 12	18 0	...	...	...

* Return not received.

† Return for next preceding week received after publication of last Gazette.

A In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 13 to 15 seers, barley 16 seers, best rice 11 to 13-9 seers, common rice 12 to 14-8 seers and gram 16 to 17-12 seers per rupee.

B In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 13 to 14 seers, barley 14 to 22 seers, best rice 12-8 to 14 seers, common rice 13 to 17-8 seers, maize 20 to 30 seers, and gram 14-8 to 16 seers per rupee.

C In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 7-8 to 14 seers, barley 15 seers, best rice 10 to 14 seers, common rice 11 to 15 seers, maize 26 seers, and gram 11 to 15-8 seers per rupee.

D In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 12-8 to 13 seers, best rice 8 to 8-8 seers, common rice 11 to 12-8 seers, and gram 15 to 16 seers per rupee.

E In the interior only.

F In the interior the price of common rice ranges from 10-8 to 16 seers per rupee.

undermentioned Districts of Bengal on the 24th October 1874.

THE SEER OF 80 TOLAS.

Great Millet—Cholum, Jowar.			Lesser Millets—Ragi or Murwa, and Cheena.			Maize or Indian-corn.			Gram.			Fire-wood.			Salt.			DISTRICTS.
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
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G Coarse rice at 12-5 seers per rupee.
H In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 13 seers, best rice 10 to 12 seers, common rice 11-8 to 15 seers, and gram 11 to 15 seers per rupee.
I In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 13-8 to 14-8 seers, best rice 8 to 11 seers, common rice 13 to 14 seers, and gram 16 to 17 seers per rupee.
J In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 8 to 10 seers, best rice 7 to 16 seers, common rice 8 to 20 seers, and gram 8 to 10 seers per rupee.
K In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 10-8 seers, common rice 13 to 15-4 seers, and gram 13 to 14 seers per rupee.
L In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 11 seers, common rice 13 to 14 seers, paddy 22 seers, and gram 8 to 12 seers per rupee.
M In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 11 to 13 seers, best rice 8 to 10-4 seers, common rice 11 to 18 seers, and gram 9 to 13 seers per rupee.

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	Eastern Districts—(Contd.)	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.
22	Chittagong*	N 9 0	9 0	10 0	...	...	...	11 0	10 0	16 0	17 0	16 0	24 0	...	...	...
23	Noakholly	O ...	...	...	...	...	...	11 0	11 0	16 0	13 0	12 8	22 0	...	...	...
24	Tipperah*	11 0	11 0	9 0	...	...	..	9 0	9 0	16 0	12 8	12 8	17 0	...	...	...
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 0	9 6½	13 5	10 10½	10 0	15 0	...	...	...
	Hill Tipperah.†															
	BEHAR.															
26	Patna	17 4	17 4	24 0	28 0	27 0	31 0	17 0	12 0	...	19 0	15 8	21 0	...	...	...
27	Gya	P 13 8	12 8	9 8	18 0	17 8	15 0	9 8	9 8	8 8	13 8	13 8	10 0	...	...	...
28	Shahabad	Q 15 0	15 0	13 0	19 8	20 0	18 0	10 8	10 8	13 8	11 8	11 12	11 4	17 0	18 0	...
29	Tirhoot	R 14 0	13 8	11 0	17 0	18 0	24 0	8 0	7 8	14 0	17 0	16 8	16 0	...	...	...
30	Sarun	16 4	16 4	11 8	21 0	21 0	19 0	7 4	7 4	12 0	16 8	15 8	13 0	...	...	...
31	Chumparun	S 11 12	11 12	16 0	18 8	18 8	33 0	8 0	8 0	12 0	23 8	22 0	18 0	...	...	...
32	Monghyr	17 3	16 8	13 6	19 9	21 0	23 1	10 5	9 4	9 4	13 6	13 6	11 5	...	...	...
33	Bhagulpore	17 0	16 6	12 10	22 11	20 3	22 7	12 10	10 11	12 10	13 14	13 14	17 0	...	...	...
34	Purneah	15 0	15 0	12 0	...	...	...	12 8	12 8	13 0	19 0	19 0	14 0	...	...	...
35	Sonthal Pergunnahs	13 0	13 0	10 0	E 15 0 to 18 0	15 0 to 18 0	20 0 to 27 0	9 0	9 0	16 0	11 0	11 0	18 0	17 0	17 0	28 0
	ORISSA.															
36	Cuttack	17 1	17 1	15 12	..	...	...	17 1	17 1	22 5	23 10	23 10	31 8	...	...	...
37	Pooree	13 2	13 2	14 7	...	...	...	17 1	17 1	24 14	23 10	23 10	34 6	...	...	...
38	Balasore.†															
	CHOTA NAGPORE. *South-West Frontier Agency.*															
39	Hazareebagh	12 0	12 0	11 12	12 0	10 0	16 0	9 8	9 0	10 0	16 0 to 20 0	15 0	13 4	...	...	...
40	Lohardugga	9 8	10 8	11 0	15 0	16 0	...	16 0	16 0	10 0	18 0 to 23 0	17 0 to 24 0	16 0	...	...	...
41	Singbhoom	11 0	11 0	16 0	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	12 0	25 0	24 0	16 0	...	...	...
42	Maubhoom	11 0	11 0	12 8	E 16 0	16 0	30 0	10 0	10 0	14 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	E 17 0	17 0	40 0

* Return for next preceding week received after publication of last *Gazette*.
† Return not received.
N In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 13 to 14 seers, and common rice 14 to 19 seers per rupee.
O In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 12 to 14 seers, and common rice 13 to 15 seers per rupee.
P In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 13-12 to 16 seers, barley 15-8 to 22 seers, best rice 12-8 seers, common rice 15 to 16 seers, lesser millet 21 to 32-8 seers, maize 17-8 to 27 seers, and gram 16 to 18 seers per rupee.

CALCUTTA,
The 27th October 1874.

Districts of Bengal on the 24th October 1874—(Continued.)

THE SEER OF 80 TOLAS.

Great Millet—Cholum, Jowar.			Lesser Millets—Ragi or Murwa, and Cheena.			Maize or Indian-corn.			Gram.			Fire-wood.			Salt.			Districts.
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	*Eastern Districts*—(Contd.)
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11 0	12 0	16 0	140 0	120 0	140 0	7 8	7 8	8 0	Chittagong.*
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 0	10 0	12 0	280 0	280 0	...	8 0	8 0	7 8	Noakholly.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	12 0	...	...	...	8 4	8 0	8 12	Tipperah.*
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	280 0	280 0	320 0	6 10	6 6½	6 4	Chittagong Hill Tracts.
																		Hill Tipperah.†
																		BEHAR.
23 0	22 0	...	...	...	...	24 0	24 0	34 8	23 8	23 0	34 8	150 0	150 0	...	7 8	7 8	8 0	Patna.
E 16 0	16 4	...	23 0	22 0	15 0	21 0	21 4	15 0	18 8	16 8	13 0	180 0	180 0	160 0	7 4	7 4	7 0	Gya.
20 0	19 0	...	20 0	20 0	...	21 0	21 0	19 0	19 8	21 0	23 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	8 4	8 0	8 0	Shahabad.
...	...	...	30 0	25 0	26 0	28 0	27 0	26 0	21 0	18 8	18 0	140 0	140 0	160 0	7 8	7 4	7 8	Tirhoot.
21 0	21 0	22 0	24 0	24 0	24 0	23 0	23 8	20 0	19 8	19 8	19 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	7 12	7 12	8 0	Sarun.
...	...	...	32 0	29 0	40 0	31 0	28 0	38 0	16 0	16 0	26 0	...	...	...	7 8	7 8	6 12	Chumparun.
...	...	...	...	...	...	26 2	25 2	17 8	20 4	21 0	18 9	147 0	147 0	147 0	7 8	7 8	7 5	Monghyr.
...	...	...	E 32 0 to 36 0	32 0	31 0	25 4	25 4	21 7	18 15	18 4	20 13	151 8	151 8	176 12	8 3	7 14	8 3	Bhagulpore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16 0	16 0	15 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	7 0	7 0	6 8	Purnaah.
...	...	...	P 40 0	40 0	40 0	35 0	35 0	24 0	17 0	17 0	19 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	7 8	7 8	8 0	Sonthal Pergunnahs.
																		ORISSA.
...	...	...	21 0	21 0	...	...	...	...	22 5	22 5	25 9	200 0	200 0	200 0	10 10	10 10	9 2	Cuttack.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21 0	21 0	21 0	100 0	100 0	105 0	12 0	12 0	10 0	Pooree.
																		Balasore†
																		CHOTA NAGPORE.
																		South-West Frontier Agency.
...	...	...	40 0	30 0	24 0	27 0	27 0	20 8	13 8	13 8	14 0	240 0	240 0	200 0	6 8	7 0	6 8	Hazareebagh.
...	...	...	46 0	48 0	30 0	35 0	36 0	20 0	14 0	16 0	13 0	160 0	160 0	260 0	6 0	6 8	6 8	Lohardugga.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	16 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	6 0	6 0	5 0	Singbhoom.
...	...	...	64 0	64 0	...	28 0	28 0	20 0	13 0	13 4	13 0	260 0	240 0	320 0	7 8	7 8	9 8	Manbhoom.

Q In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 14 to 14-12 seers, barley 16 to 20 seers, best rice 8 to 10 seers, common rice 13-12 to 16-8 seers, bulrush millet 17 seers, great millet 19 seers, lesser millet 16 to 21 seers, maize 20 seers, and gram 15-8 to 19 seers per rupee.

R In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 12 to 16 seers, barley 12 to 24 seers, best rice 8 to 22-8 seers, common rice 10 to 28 seers, lesser millet 25 to 40 seers, maize 21 to 40 seers, and gram 14 to 27 seers per rupee.

S In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 10 to 13 seers, barley 12-8 to 18 seers, best rice 10-8 to 11-4 seers, common rice 18 to 22-8 seers, lesser millet 12-8 to 36 seers, maize 26 to 35 seers, and gram 12-8 to 18 seers per rupee.

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R. KNIGHT,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

Meteorological Telegraphic Report for the period 18th to 24th October 1874.

Station	Date.	Hour.	Barometer reduced to 32°.	Barometer reduced to sea-level.	Thermometer. Dry.	Thermometer. Wet.	Humidity, Sat. =100.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Velocity.*	Rain.	Clouds.	Weather initials.
Calcutta.	Oct. 18th	10	29·909	29·927	85·2	80·0	79	W S W	1·6	...	K	
		16	29·784	29·802	89·0	79·5	64	W by S	4·8	...	K	
	19th	10	29·915	29·933	83·0	77·5	76	W by N	1·9	...	K	
		16	29·809	29·827	87·0	76·6	59	N by W	9·5	...	K	
	20th	10	29·920	29·938	82·6	71·5	55	N by W	3·6	...	.....	b
		16	29·778	29·796	85·2	72·6	52	N W	7·6	...	.....	b
	21st	10	29·873	29·891	83·2	75·5	68	N N W	2·9	...	.....	b
		16	29·747	29·765	85·8	77·0	65	N N E	4·6	...	C	
	22nd	10	29·863	29·881	84·8	77·6	70	N N E	2·4	...	K	
		16	29·741	29·759	88·0	77·2	58	N by W	4·3	...	K	
	23rd	10	29·889	29·907	83·8	78·3	77	E N E	2·2	...	K	
		16	29·773	29·791	87·5	78·0	65	N by E	2·5	...	K	
	24th	10	29·921	29·939	85·7	80·0	76	N	...	...	K	
		16	29·806	29·824	87·0	80·0	72	N	...	...	K	
Saugor Island.	Oct. 18th	10	29·908	29·914	85	80	79	N W	13·2	...	N	b
		16	29·815	29·821	87	79	68	S S W	10·2	...	N	b
	19th	10	29·925	29·931	85	79	75	N N W	13·0	...	K	b
		16	29·817	29·823	85	76	64	N W	13·8	...	K	b, v
	20th	10	29·929	29·935	85	70	44	N	13·2	...	C	b, v
		16	29·778	29·784	84	72	63	N W	12·8	...	C	b
	21st	10	29·883	29·889	84	73	56	N	10·8	...	C, K	b, v
		16	29·763	29·769	84	75	64	N	13·2	...	K	b, v
	22nd	10	29·863	29·869	86	76	61	N E	10·4	...	K	b, v
		16	29·764	29·770	86	79	72	S W	12·0	...	K	b, v
	23rd	10	29·889	29·895	84	80	83	N W	10·4	...	N	b, v
		16	29·784	29·790	87	80	72	S W	12·0	...	K	b, v
	24th	10	29·925	29·931	86	81	79	N N W	13·0	...	N	b, v
		16	29·808	29·814	84	80	83	S E	10·8	0·70	N	b, p, v, w
Chittagong.	Oct. 18th	10	29·821	29·913	86	77	64	N N W	1·6	...	.....	b, v
		16	29·717	29·809	86	78	68	E	2·2	...	K	b, v
	19th	10	29·815	29·907	84	76	67	N	1·4	...	C	b, v
		16	29·715	29·807	86	77	64	N W	2·0	...	.....	b, v
	20th	10	29·758	29·850	84	78	75	N	2·1	...	.....	d, v
		16	29·672	29·764	86	78	68	W	5·3	...	.....	b, v
	21st	10	29·835	29·929	76	74	90	E S E	3·2	0·40	N	d, w
		16	29·812	29·904	84	78	75	E S E	3·4	...	CK	b, v
	22nd	10	29·822	29·914	84	78	75	N N E	2·7	...	CK, K	b, v
		16	29·687	29·779	85	79	75	W S W	4·4	...	CK, C	b, v
	23rd	10	29·723	29·815	85	79	75	E	1·4	...	KS	v
		16	29·705	29·797	86	78	68	W	2·2	...	C	b v
	24th	10	29·849	29·941	86	80	75	N	1·2	...	K	b v
		16	29·751	29·842	88	81	72	S W	2·8	...	.....	b v
Madras.	Oct. 17th	10	29·833	29·863	83	78	78	W	4		.....	cloudy.
		16	29·752	29·782	87	80	72	E by N	6	0·76	.....	cloudy.
	18th	10	29·872	29·902	83	79	83	N by W	4	0·24	.....	cloudy.
		16	29·792	29·822	85	78	71	E N E	6	...	.....	c
	19th	10	29·895	29·925	86	77	68	N E by N	8	0·14	.....	cloudy.
		16	29·779	29·809	85	78	71	N E by E	10	...	.....	c
	20th	10	29·869	29·899	83	77	75	N N W	5	...	.....	cloudy.
		16	29·790	29·820	76	74	90	N by W	2	0·69	.....	c
	21st	10	29·829	29·859	83	77	75	N W by N	9	0·19	.....	cloudy.
		16	29·720	29·750	79	75	82	W by N	7	...	.....	c, cudy.
	22nd	10	29·810	29·840	81	76	78	N W	9	0·05	.....	c
		16	29·697	29·727	81	77	82	N W by N	2	0·06	.....	cloudy.
	23rd	10	29·805	29·835	76	75	95	N W by N	6	1·74	.....	c
		16	29·686	29·716	74	72	90	W by N	13	1·17	.....	c
Cuttack.	Oct. 18th	10	29·817	29·899	86	78	68	N N E	1·1		CK, K	b
		16	29·723	29·805	88	79	65	E	2·6	...	CK	b
	19th	10	29·837	29·919	86	79	72	N N E	0·8	...	C, CK	b
		16	29·733	29·815	88	77	59	E N E	2·1	...	K, CK	b
	20th	10	29·843	29·926	82	76	74	N N E	1·9	...	C, CK	
		16	29·698	29·780	85	75	60	E N E	5·0	...	C, S	p
	21st	10	29·810	29·892	85	74	57	N E	1·0	...	C	p b
		16	29·668	29·750	86	74	54	N E	4·7	...	C	
	22nd	10	29·800	29·882	85	76	64	N E	1·2	...	CC, K	b
		16	29·676	29·758	86	76	61	N	4·0	...	K, CK	b
	23rd	10	29·807	29·889	84	79	79	N E	1·2	...	CK, C	
		16	29·696	29·778	86	79	75	N E	2·5	...	K, N C	
Akyab.	Oct. 18th	10	29·858	29·879	87	81	76	S E	2·0	...	.....	b
		16	29·763	29·784	88	81	72	W	5·1	...	.....	b
	19th	10	29·861	29·882	86	82	83	E	1·6	...	.....	b
		16	29·773	29·794	88	81	72	W	3·3	...	.....	b
	20th	10	29·864	29·885	84	8	83	E	1·9	...	.....	b
		16	29·762	29·783	84	79	79	S	4·3	...	.....	b, g
	21st	10	29·896	29·918	82	81	95	S E	2·5	0·10	.....	b, g
		16	29·768	29·789	85	79	75	S	5·1	...	.....	b
	22nd	10	29·876	29·897	85	80	79	N N E	1·3	...	.....	b
		16	29·753	29·774	87	79	68	W	5·0	...	.....	b
	23rd	10	29·884	29·905	85	81	83	E	1·4	...	.....	b
		16	29·823	29·844	88	80	69	W	4·0	...	.....	b
	24th	10	29·931	29·952	87	81	76	E	1·5	...	.....	b
		16	29·836	29·857	86	80	75	S W	3·0	...	.....	b

* Velocity of wind in miles per hour

CALCUTTA,
The 24th October 1874.

W. G. WILLSON,
Offg. Meteorological Reporter to the Government of Bengal.

Results of the Meteorological Observations taken at the Surveyor-General's Office, Calcutta, from 15th to 21st October 1874.

Month.	Date.	Mean reduced barometer.	Thermometer. Highest reading.	Thermometer. Lowest reading.	Thermometer. Max. solar radiation.	Mean dry bulb.	Mean wet bulb.	Computed mean dew-point.	Mean degree of humidity.	Wind. Prevailing direction.	Wind. Max. pressure.	Wind. Daily velocity.	Rain.	Moon's phases.	General Remarks.
		Inches.	°	°		°	°	°			℔	Miles.	In.		
Oct.	15th	29·669	79·7	77·5	...	78·4	77·0	76·0	0·93	N E, E N E & E	12·0	198·1	1·27	...	Overcast. Gale from 5 to 11 P.M. Thunder between 11 and 12 A.M. Rain nearly the whole day.
	16th	·648	83·5	77·0	126·0	79·4	76·8	75·0	·87	S S W, & W S W	8·0	584·6	*4·56	...	Overcast, stratoni, and clear. Gale from midnight to 5½ A.M. Brisk wind from 5½ to 10 A.M. Rain from midnight to 9 A.M.
	17th	798	87·0	74·5	137·5	80·8	77·3	74·8	·83	W S W & S	...	110·5	...	...	Clear, cirri, and cumuli. Slightly foggy from 8 to 11 P.M.
	18th	·841	89·0	77·5	146·2	83·1	79·0	76·1	·80	W S W & W by S	.	45·9	...	☽	Clear and cumuli. Slightly foggy from midnight to 4 A.M. and 7 to 10 P.M.
	19th	·853	87·5	79·0	136·2	82·3	77·4	74·0	·77	W by S N W & N N W	...	56·0	...	...	Clear and cumuli. Drizzled at 7½ A.M.
	20th	·838	86·0	74·5	135·0	80·0	73·5	68·9	·70	N N W & N W	...	101·9	...	...	Clear. Slightly foggy from 9 to 11 P.M.
	21st	·809	87·0	74·0	139·0	80·4	75·2	71·6	·75	N W & N by W	...	84·1	...	...	Clear and cumuli.

The mean barometer as likewise the dry and wet bulb thermometer means are derived from the twenty-four hourly observations made during the day.

The dew-point is computed with the Greenwich constants. The figures in column 10 represent the humidity of the air, the complete saturation of which being taken at unity. The receiver of the lower rain gauge is 1½ feet, and that of the anemometer 70 feet 10 inches above the level of the ground. The velocity of wind, as indicated by Robinson's anemometer, is registered from noon to noon.

		°
The extreme variation of temperature during the past seven days	...	15·0
The maximum temperature during the past seven days	...	89·0
The maximum temperature during the corresponding period of the past year	...	91·5
The mean humidity during the past seven days	...	0·81
The mean humidity during the corresponding period of the past year	...	0·70
		Inches.
The total fall of rain from 15th to 21st ... by lower rain gauge	...	5 83
The total fall of rain from 15th to 21st ... by anemometer gauge	...	4·99
Ditto ditto ditto, average of twenty previous years	...	0·48
Ditto ditto between the 1st January and the 21st October	...	55·38
Ditto ditto ditto, average of twenty previous years	...	65·22

* Fell after 4 P.M. of the 15th to 9 A.M. of the 16th.

GOPEENAUTH SEN,
In charge of the Observatory.

The 27th October 1874.

Abstract of the Results of the Hourly Meteorological Observations taken at the Surveyor-General's Office, Calcutta, in the month of September 1874.

LATITUDE 22° 33′ 1″ North. Longitude 88° 20′ 34″ East. Height of the cistern of the standard barometer above the sea level, 18·11 feet.

MONTHLY RESULTS.	Inches.
Mean height of the barometer for the month	29·709
Max. height of the barometer, occurred at 9 A.M. on the 11th	29·869
Min. height of the barometer, occurred at 3 & 4 P.M. on the 23rd	29·517
Extreme range of the barometer during the month	0·352
Mean of the daily max. pressures	29·766
Ditto ditto min. ditto	29·642
Mean daily range of the barometer during the month	0·124
	°
Mean dry bulb thermometer for the month	82·9
Max. temperature occurred at 3 P.M. on the 22nd	93·7
Min. temperature occurred at 8 A.M. on the 11th	75·5
Extreme range of the temperature during the month	18·2
Mean of the daily max. temperature	88·0
Ditto ditto min. ditto	79·5
Mean daily range of the temperature during the month	8·5
Mean wet bulb thermometer for the month	80·0
Mean dry bulb thermometer above mean wet bulb thermometer	2·9
Computed mean dew-point for the month	78·0
Mean dry bulb thermometer above computed mean dew-point	4·9
	Inches.
Mean elastic force of vapour for the month	0·940
	Troy grains.
Mean weight of vapour for the month	10·09
Additional weight of vapour required for complete saturation	1·70
Mean degree of humidity for the month, complete saturation being unity ...	0·86
	°
Mean max. solar radiation thermometer for the month	140·3
	Inches.
Rained 22 days,—max. fall of rain during 24 hours	2·68
Total amount of rain during the month	12·67
Total amount of rain indicated by the gauge* attached to the anemometer during the month	11·34
Prevailing direction of the wind	S. S. by E., & S. S. E.

* Height, 70 feet 10 inches above ground.

GOPEENAUTH SEN,
In charge of the Observatory.

The 23rd October 1874.

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ADMINISTRATION REPORT OF THE OOTTERPARA MUNICIPALITY FOR THE YEAR 1873-74.

No. 462, dated Burdwan, the 9th October 1874.

From—C. T. BUCKLAND, ESQ., Commissioner of the Burdwan Division,

To—The Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Judicial Department.

I HAVE the honor to submit in original the annual administration report of the Ootterpara municipality for the year 1873-74.

2. The total population of the municipality is reported to be 4,389, and the house-rate levied is Rs. 3,474-2-6: the incidence of this description of municipal taxation per head of population is therefore Rs. 0-12-7. The total receipts of the municipality during the year, including the balance in hand at the close of the previous year, were Rs. 6,440-5-4½, and the total expenditure Rs. 5,087-5-3, leaving a balance in hand at the close of the year of Rs. 1,353-0-1½. The total demand was Rs. 4,069-14-8½. The balance outstanding at the close of the year was Rs. 98-0-2½, of which Rs. 24-4-5½ are irrecoverable and therefore remitted.

3. There were altogether sixteen Municipal Commissioners during the year, of whom seven were officials and nine non-officials. Only eight meetings of the Municipal Commissioners were held during the year for the transaction of business. The average attendance of the members at the meetings was 6·5.

4. The total income during the year was Rs. 4,391-4-6, showing a slight deficit of Rs. 199-15-6 as compared with the budget estimate. The total expenditure during the year

was Rs. 5,087-5-3. The excess expenditure was paid from the balance of the previous year. The expenditure exceeded slightly under the heads of establishment and police, and chiefly under the head of acquisition of land. Rs. 300 were paid on account of compensation for land taken for depositing night-soil, but no provision for it was made in the budget.

5. The sanitary condition of the town is reported to have been very good. There was very little sickness during the year.

No. 87, dated Serampore, the 14th September 1874.

From—J. E. B. JEFFERY, ESQ., Vice-Chairman of the Ootterpara Municipality,

To—The Magistrate of Hooghly.

I HAVE the honor to submit the report of the Ootterpara municipality, compiled by the Secretary and passed at the meeting of August.

2. The population of the municipality, according to the census, was 4,389, and the house-rate levied was Rs. 3,474-2-6. The incidence therefore was 12 annas 7 pie per head.

3. The house-rate is levied under Act III of 1864, and though there certainly is a tendency to make it a rough income-tax, yet, on the whole, it is fairly assessed on the value of house property. I believe that, as Ootterpara consists of the houses of a few wealthy zemindars, with those of the very poorest classes, as there is no middle class, and no gradation in the incomes of the inhabitants, the system of a tax on property and income would have been the best if it had been originally introduced. As it is, the poorer classes are very fairly assessed (as is proved by the ease with which the tax is collected), but the wealthy zemindars might well be made to pay a good deal more than the mere percentage on the value of their houses. As, however, the wants of the town are very few, and the municipality has been so well managed under the present system, I would not advocate any change.

4. The horse and wheel-tax realized Rs. 298-4-0, and works very well. The taxation falls upon the zemindars' carriages, and a few ticca gharis and bullock-carts kept for hire, the owners of which find no difficulty in paying it.

5. The fees for licenses and offensive trades were only Rs. 30-8-0, which is too insignificant a sum to require any remarks. The town is a very small one, with no trade.

6. There were only eight meetings during the year; no more were needed. The town is so small, and the affairs so well looked after by the Commissioners in their individual capacity, that we might have done with even less, as the business at some of the meetings was confined to unimportant matters of conservancy.

7. The number of non-official Commissioners was nine (excluding one* resigned within the year), and the average attendance of these nine members was five and half, and the average attendance, including the Vice-Chairman, six and half. I think that the Commissioner of the division was rather severe upon the Municipal Commissioners last year. An average attendance of seven out of ten non-official members would seem very fair. The Municipal Commissioners take a great interest in the town, and the municipality is certainly in all respects very well managed.

*Baboo Govind Chunder Mookerjee.

8. The expenditure again exceeded the income, but there was a very good balance at the close of the year, and the expenditure was less than the budget estimate. I subjoin a comparative statement showing the difference between the actuals and budget estimate.

9. *Receipts.*—The house-rate collections were rather better than expected. The decrease under the head of ferries is a mere matter of account, and is balanced by a corresponding decrease on the expenditure side. The decrease under the head of receipts from other sources appears to be due to the non-payment within the year of some subscriptions for rebuilding the police outpost. These, however, either have been or will be realized. Hackney carriage fees ought not to have been entered in the budget. There is no registering officer gazetted. Baboo Bijoykissen Mookerjee performs the duties, and I recommend that he be gazetted. It appears that in previous years the hackney carriage fees had been credited amongst the receipts of the municipality. This was irregular, but I hope that the credit may be confirmed, and the fees, Rs. 17-12-0, on account of this year, be made over to the municipality. The town is very small, and there are only four hackney carriages; so it is hardly necessary to submit a separate report.

10. *Expenditure.*—There is an excess of Rs. 40 for office charges, of which printing bye-laws and train hire of clerks to and from Serampore and Hooghly were the principal. An excess of Rs. 15-10-0 under the head of police seems strange, and I have called for an explanation from the Secretary. It is, however, a small matter. The decrease under the head of local improvement is hardly satisfactory, considering the large balance with which the year ended. However, a large portion of the sum budgetted was for the police outpost, which is now being commenced. This expenditure is of course entirely supervised by the Secretary and the Municipal Commissioners on the spot, and I have only to sanction the proposed expenditure, or to decide between conflicting proposals. The latter, however, are usually disposed of at the meetings. The decrease under the head of ferries has been explained above. The sum of Rs. 300, on account of land compensation, was not inserted in the budget. I have asked for an explanation. The other small items in excess should have been budgetted for.

11. The town appears to be very healthy.

12. I must bear testimony to the zeal and energy with which Baboo Bejoykissen Mookerjee has discharged the duties of Honorary Secretary.

No. 46, dated Ootterpara, the 17th August 1874.

From—Baboo Bejoykissen Mookerjee, Honorary Secretary, Ootterpara Municipality,
To—J. E. B. Jeffery, Esq., c.s., Vice-Chairman, Ootterpara Municipality, Serampore.

I have the honor to submit the administration report of the Ootterpara municipality for the year 1873-74.

The following gentlemen have been ex-officio members :—

C. T. Buckland, Esq., c.s., Commissioner of the Burdwan Division.
F. H. Pellew, Esq., c.s., Officiating Magistrate and Collector of Hooghly.
Executive Engineer, Hooghly District.
W. D. Pratt, Esq., District Superintendent of Police.

The gentlemen named below have been Municipal Commissioners :—

John Boxwell, Esq., c.s., Joint-Magistrate, Serampore, Vice-Chairman, from March to July 1873.
J. E. B. Jeffery, Esq., c.s., Joint-Magistrate of Serampore, Vice-Chairman.

Baboo Joykissen Mookerjee.	Baboo Bamachurn Banerjee.
„ Hurrish Chunder Banerjee.	„ Beejaynath Chatterjee.
„ Govind Chunder Mookerjee.	„ Soorjeecoomar Mookerjee.
„ Premnarain Chatterjee.	„ Bonomally Mitter.
„ Hurryhur Mookerjee.	

„ Bejoykissen Mookerjee, Commissioner and Honorary Secretary.

1. There were eight general meetings of the Commissioners, and no more was needed.

2. The following is the record of attendance of the Commissioners at general meetings in 1873-74 :—

No.	Names of Commissioners.	Total.	Remarks.
1.	Mr. John Boxwell	3	Left the sub-division.
2.	„ J. E. B. Jeffery	5	
3.	Baboo Joykissen Mookerjee	5	
4.	„ Hurrish Chunder Banerjee	7	
5.	„ Govind Chunder Mookerjee	2	Resigned.
6.	„ Hurryhur Mookerjee	.....	
7.	„ Premnarain Chatterjee	2	
8.	„ Beejoynath Chatterjee	5	
9.	„ Bamacharan Banerjee	8	
10.	„ Soorjeecoomar Mookerjee	6	
11.	„ Bonomally Mitter	1	
12.	„ Beejoykissen Mookerjee	8	

3. *Receipts and Disbursements.*—The opening balance in the commencement of the year was Rs. 2,049-0-10½ ; the receipts during the year from all sources were Rs. 4,391-4-6, making a total of Rs. 6,440-5-4½. The amount expended was Rs. 5,087-5-3, and the balance on the 31st March 1874 was Rs. 1,353-0-1½. Of the entire demand, Rs. 4,069-14-8½, a sum of Rs. 24-4-5½ has been remitted and Rs. 73-11-9 remains unrealized.

4. *Local improvement.*—Some of the kutcha and pucca roads have been repaired, and all the roads are in good order. A buttress has been erected to protect part of the Bamachurn Banerjee's Street. Three pucca culverts were erected during the year. An application was made by the Municipal Commissioners, under Act XXIV of 1871, to the Collector of Hooghly applying for a loan of Rs. 3,000 to enable them to redeem some old tanks and fill up one, but the Collector thought that the application was inadmissible under the law in force. The filling up of the pond on the west of the police outpost was considered very necessary to improve the health of the police force as well as of the neighbourhood.

5. *Scarcity and Relief.*—The apprehensions of the present scarcity were felt in October 1873, and although measures for the relief of the poor people within this municipality and the places adjoining were not undertaken during the past year, perhaps it would not be out of place to mention them in this report for the information of Government. A detailed report of those measures will be submitted in proper time. For the present it would suffice to give here a general outline of them. Baboo Joykissen Mookerjee employed, from 27th April 1874 to 30th July 1874, on an average more than sixty coolies daily in digging new tanks and repairing old ones in Ootterpara and adjacent places : altogether 5,440 coolies got employment in three months. Baboo Rajkissen Mookerjee gave work to 6,815 men in four months, on an average of fifty-seven persons daily ; and Baboo Bejoykissen Mookerjee also employed 1,433 persons in fifty-five days. Many other inhabitants of the town provided work for those men, though on a small scale, as the season for digging and repairing tanks was unusually favorable. All these coolies are inhabitants of West Burdwan, and of Jehanabad in East Burdwan. This general improvement in tanks will prove highly beneficial to the health of the town and of the neighbourhood. A few months ago a relief sub-committee was formed at Ootterpara (consisting of the Municipal Commissioners), under the orders of the Joint-Magistrate of Serampore, to distribute rice to the distressed people of the town and other nearest villages ;

this has tended much to alleviate their suffering. On Monday, the 10th August 1874, relief was given to 416 persons of all classes. The relief operations commenced in the middle of June last.

6. *Conservancy.*—All jungle has been cleared, and the drains have been put in proper order.

7. *Health.*—The sanitary condition of the town was satisfactory, and there was very little sickness during the year under review. The population of the town, according to the census of 1872, was 4,178. The total number of deaths, according to the register kept by the police, was 86. The death-rate therefore was $2\frac{6}{478}$ per hundred,—males 54, females 32.

The causes of death were as follow:—

Fever	36
Cholera	5
Bowel complaint	27
Other causes	18
Births, 109—	
Males	58
Females	51

8. *Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.*—The establishment under this municipality is too small, and as the cases of births and deaths are not reported to the officers of the municipality, but to the police, it was therefore thought proper that the work should remain in their hands. Nothing has been done to register marriages, nor can I find any order of Government requiring the Commissioners to do so. The Municipal Commissioners are not aware under what law they should call upon the people to report to them all marriages that took place in their houses.

9. *Prosecution.*—Under the Municipal Act and the bye-laws altogether nine persons were prosecuted, of whom eight were convicted and one discharged. Of the nine cases, six were tried by the Municipal Commissioners and three by two Honorary Magistrates forming a bench. The amount of fine realized was Rs. 23-4-0.

10. *Law suit.*—There was only one case of execution of decree for realizing costs, amounting to Rs. 58-12-3, against Baboo Hurryhur Mookerjee.

11. *Servants of the Municipality.*—I am happy to report that the municipal clerk and servants have worked to my satisfaction.

12. *Crime.*—There was one case under Section 447, one case under Sections 447 and 352, Indian Penal Code, and sixteen cases under Section 34 of Act V of 1861, P. A. Twenty-one persons were sent up for trial, of whom twenty were convicted and one discharged. The Commissioners therefore think that the police has worked very satisfactorily during the year under report. It is needless to mention here that since the present energetic head constable Ramgopaul Bhuttacharjee has joined the outpost crime has decreased to a very desirable extent.

Statement of Demands, Collections, and Balances of the Ootterpara Municipality for 1873-74.

	Demands.	Collection up to 31st March 1874.	Remitted.	Balance.
HOUSE-RATE.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Balance of unrealized bills on account of 1871-72, ending 31st March 1872 ...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Balance of unrealized bills on account of 1872-73, ending 31st March 1873 ...	57 10 5½	33 15 9	23 10 8½	.....
1st quarter of 1873-74	881 8 1½	871 11 1½	0 3 9	9 9 3
2nd ditto ditto	881 9 4½	868 4 4½	0 3 0	13 2 0
3rd ditto ditto	874 13 7½	863 5 1½	0 3 0	11 5 6
4th ditto ditto	873 9 1½	836 14 1½	.....	36 11 0
Total ...	3,569 2 8½	3,474 2 6	24 4 5½	70 11 9
WHEEL-TAX.				
1st quarter of 1873-74	77 0 0	77 0 0	.....	.....
2nd ditto ditto	72 12 0	72 12 0	.....	.....
3rd ditto ditto	74 4 0	74 4 0	.....	.....
4th ditto ditto	74 4 0	74 4 0	.....	.....
License on carts	17 0 0	15 0 0	.....	2 0 0
Ditto offensive trades	30 8 0	30 8 0	.....	.....
Half proceeds of ferry	155 0 0	154 0 0	.....	1 0 0
Total ...	500 12 0	497 12 0	.....	3 0 0
Grand Total ...	4,069 14 8½	3,971 14 6	24 4 5½	73 11 9

Municipal Improvement Fund of the Municipality of the Town of Ooterparah, under Act III of 1864, for the year 1873-74.

RECEIPTS.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance brought from last account				2,049	0	10½
House-rate	3,474	2	6			
Tax on carriages and horses	298	4	0			
Ferry farm tolls	154	0	0			
Fines under Act III of 1864	33	4	0			
Pound	201	13	3			
License on offensive trades	30	8	0			
License on carts	15	0	0			
Rent of Chuck Bally shop	12	4	0			
Distress warrant fees	29	0	0			
Miscellaneous receipts	13	0	6			
Part of salamee of Chuck Bally latrine ground	71	4	0			
Cost of law suit realized from Hurryhur Mookerjee	58	12	3			
				4,391	4	6
Total ...				6,440	5	4½

DISBURSEMENT.

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Expenses of collection	120	0	0			
Office establishment	619	6	9			
Roads	750	5	9			
Lighting	394	14	6			
Conservancy	777	5	0			
Watering roads	36	3	0			
Police	1,211	10	0			
Local improvement	605	8	9			
Miscellaneous	571	15	6			
Total ...	5,087	5	3			
Balance ...	1,353	0	1½			
				6,440	5	4½

Municipal Improvement Fund of the Hackney Carriages of the Ootterpara Municipality for the year 1873-74.

	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Registering fee of four hackney carriages	16	0	0	Amount paid for tin tickets ...	3	1	0
Amount realized of tin tickets...	1	12	0	By balance	14	11	0
Total ...	17	12	0	Total ...	17	12	0

The 17th August 1874.

J. E. B. JEFFERY, *Vice-Chairman.*

PRICES-CURRENT of Food-grains and Salt in the

Number.	DISTRICTS.	QUANTITIES PER RUPEE BY																	
		WHEAT.			BARLEY.			RICE, BEST SORT.			RICE, COMMON.			BULRUSH MILLET—CUMBOO, BAJRA.		
		Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.
	BENGAL.															
	Western Districts.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.
1	Burdwan	A 13 0	13 4	11 0	16 0	16 0	...	11 4	12 0	14 4	12 0	12 8	15 0	...	...	...
2	Bankoora	B 14 0	13 12	11 14	21 0	21 0	22 0	12 8	12 4	12 8	14 8	14 0	15 0	...	...	...
3	Beerbhoom	C 12 0	12 0	12 0	...	15 0	...	10 0	10 8	13 8	12 12	12 12	15 0	...	...	...
4	Midnapore*	12 0	12 0	11 0	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	18 0	14 0 to 16 0	14 0 to 20 0	24 0	...	...	...
5	Hooghly	D 12 8	12 8	12 0	E 16 0 to 17 8	...	20 0 to 16 0	8 0 and 8 8	8 0 and 8 8	11 0	11 0 and 11 8	11 0 and 11 8	18 0	...	...	...
	Howrah	14 0	13 8	12 0	...	...	...	10 8	10 0	12 8	13 8	12 0	18 0	...	...	...
	Central Districts.															
	Calcutta	13 0	13 0	...	15 0	15 0	...	8 0	8 0	...	12 0	12 0	...	...	...	...
6	24-Pergunnahs	E 12 0	13 5	14 8	E 13 5	14 0	26 8	F 6 10	7 7	8 0	12 0	11 4	19 0	...	...	...
7	Nuddea	12 5	12 5	11 14	...	...	...	...	...	10 0 and 10 8	G 10 0	9 8	12 5	...	...	...
8	Jessore	H 12 5	12 5	13 0	...	...	...	10 10	10 12	13 5	11 12	13 5	16 0	...	...	...
9	Moorshedabad	I 15 0	15 0	12 0	E 18 0	16 0	25 0 to 29 0	8 12	9 0	11 0	12 8	13 0	13 8	E 25 0	25 0	40 0
10	Dinagepore	12 12	12 12	12 0	11 0	11 0	17 0	12 0	12 0	11 0	18 0	19 0	14 0	...	...	...
11	Maldah	16 0	16 0	12 0	20 0	20 0	20 0	11 8	11 8	8 8	18 0	18 0 to 20 0	11 0	14 0	14 0	20 0
12	Rajshahye	14 4 to 14 8	12 12 to 14 4	10 8	...	...	30 0	9 12 to 10 8	7 8 to 9 12	12 0	15 0 to 16 0	15 0 to 16 0	16 0	...	...	...
13	Rungpore	J 12 0	12 15	11 4	...	...	...	7 7	7 7	10 2	18 0	18 0	11 4	...	...	...
14	Bogra*	10 8	10 8	12 0	...	...	...	7 8	7 8	15 0	17 4	17 4	14 0	...	...	...
15	Pubna	13 8	14 4	15 8	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	12 0	16 8	15 0	14 8	...	...	...
16	Darjeeling.†															
17	Julpigoree	K 9 0	9 5	...	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	...	13 0	12 0	...	...	...	...
	Cooch Behar.†															
	Eastern Districts.															
18	Dacca	12 8	12 8	10 8	15 8	15 0	20 0	12 0	12 0	15 0	16 0	14 0	22 0	...	...	...
19	Fureedpore	L 14 0	14 0	16 0	...	...	...	6 0	6 0	8 0	17 0	14 8	18 0	...	...	...
20	Backergunge	...	...	...	...	...	...	M 11 0	11 0	13 0	13 0	13 0	25 0	...	...	...
21	Mymensingh	N 10 4	10 4	11 4	...	...	...	8 8	8 4	16 0	13 0	13 0	18 0	...	...	...

* Return for next preceding week received after publication of last *Gazette*.

† Return not received.

A In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 10 to 15 seers, barley 13-8 to 16 seers, best rice 10-8 to 13-9 seers, common rice 12 to 15 seers, and gram 15 to 18 seers per rupee.

B In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 13 to 14 seers, barley 13 to 22 seers, best rice 11-8 to 14 seers, common rice 13-8 to 17-8 seers, maize 20 to 31 seers, and gram 12-8 to 16 seers per rupee.

C In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 7-12 to 15 seers, best rice 10 to 14 seers, common rice 11 to 15 seers, maize 24 to 26 seers, and gram 11 to 16 seers per rupee.

D In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 12 to 13-8 seers, best rice 7 to 8-8 seers, common rice 10-8 to 13 seers, and gram 13 to 16 seers per rupee.

E In the interior only.

F In the interior prices range as follow:—Best rice 7-4 to 7-8 seers, common rice 11 to 14 seers, and gram 12-8 to 15-4 seers per rupee.

G Coarse rice at 14-8 seers per rupee.

undermentioned Districts of Bengal on the 31st October 1874.

THE SEER OF 80 TOLAS.

Great Millet—Cholum, Jowar.			Lesser Millets—Ragi or Murwa, and Cheena.			Maize or Indian-corn.			Gram.			Fire-wood.			Salt.			DISTRICTS.
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	
																		BENGAL.
																		Western Districts.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16 0	16 0	15 0	230 0	210 0	...	8 12	8 10	9 0	Burdwan.
...	...	...	...	...	...	28 0	27 0	30 0	15 8	15 8	18 0	440 0	440 0	360 0	8 4	8 4	8 2	Bankoora.
...	...	...	...	...	...	24 0	24 0	...	13 8	13 8	17 4	240 0	240 0	200 0	8 4	8 4	8 12	Beerbhoom.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14 0	14 0	15 0	180 0	180 0	320 0	8 0	8 4	8 0	Midnapore.*
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 0	15 0	18 0	120 0	120 0	120 0	8 0	8 0	9 0	Hooghly.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 0	15 0	14 0	120 0	120 0	...	9 0	9 0	9 0	Howrah.
																		Central Districts.
14 0	14 0	...	...	...	...	14 0	14 0	...	16 0	16 0	...	100 0	100 0	...	8 0	8 0	...	Calcutta.
...	...	...	...	...	...	E 14 0	...	...	14 0	16 0	20 0	120 0	120 0	...	8 0	8 0	8 12	24-Pergunnahs.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 5	15 5	16 13½	110 0	110 0	120 0	8 10	8 10	8 10½	Nuddea.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 5	13 0	16 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	Jessore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16 8	16 8	18 0	130 0	120 0	120 0	8 0	8 8	9 0	Moorshedabad.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 8	13 8	12 0	170 0	170 0	98 7	7 12	7 12	7 8	Dinagepore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	20 0	25 0	20 0	16 0	16 0	12 0	120 0	120 0	160 0	8 0	8 0	8 0	Maldah.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	16 0 to 17 4	16 0 to 18 0	19 11	300 0	240 0	200 0	7 15½	7 15½	8 0	Rajshahye.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9 0	11 4	14 0	107 0	107 0	107 0	7 8	7 8	7 8	Rungpore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 8	10 8	15 0	67 8	67 8	60 0	7 8	7 8	7 8	Bogra.*
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15 0	15 0	21 0	200 0	200 0	200 0	8 4	8 4	8 0	Pubna.
																		Darjeeling.†
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9 5	10 0	...	160 0	160 0	...	5 6	6 6	...	Julpigoree.
																		Cooch Behar.†
																		Eastern Districts.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14 0	14 4	13 0	100 0	100 0	80 0	8 8	8 8	8 8	Dacca.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 0	13 0	16 0	...	...	...	7 8	7 8	8 0	Furreedpore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13 0	13 0	...	100 0	100 0	160 0	8 0	8 0	8 4	Backergunge.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11 12	11 8	13 0	...	...	...	8 0	8 0	8 4	Mymensingh.

H In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 7 to 13 seers, best rice 10 to 12 seers, common rice 11 to 15 seers, and gram 11 to 15 seers per rupee.

I In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 12-8 to 14-8 seers, best rice 8 to 12 seers, common rice 12 to 16 seers, and gram 16 to 17 seers per rupee.

J Prices much easier in the Bhowanigunge Sub-division.

K In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 9 to 10 seers, best rice 7 to 16 seers, common rice 8-8 to 20 seers, and gram 8 to 10 seer per rupee.

L In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 14 seers, best rice 10-8 seers, common rice 13 to 15-8 seers, and gram 13 to 14 seers per rupee.

M In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 10 to 13 seers, common rice 12 to 15 seers, paddy rate 27 seers, and gram 8 to 12 seers per rupee.

N In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 11 to 13 seers, best rice 8 to 11 seers, common rice 10-8 to 16 seers, and gram 9 to 16 seers per rupee.

PRICES-CURRENT of Food-grains and Salt in the undermentioned

QUANTITIES PER RUPEE BY

Number.	DISTRICTS.	Wheat. Present return.	Wheat. Next preceding return.	Wheat. Corresponding return of last year.	Barley. Present return.	Barley. Next preceding return.	Barley. Corresponding return of last year.	Rice, best sort. Present return.	Rice, best sort. Next preceding return.	Rice, best sort. Corresponding return of last year.	Rice, common. Present return.	Rice, common. Next preceding return.	Rice, common. Corresponding return of last year.	Bulrush Millet—Cumboo, Bajra. Present return.	Bulrush Millet—Cumboo, Bajra. Next preceding return.	Bulrush Millet—Cumboo, Bajra. Corresponding return of last year.
	Eastern Districts—(Contd.)	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch
22	Chittagong	O 10 0	9 0	8 0	...	...	...	11 0	11 0	16 0	17 0	17 0	21 0	...	...	...
23	Noakholly	P 10 10	11 0	9 0	...	...	...	9 0	9 0	16 0	13 0	12 8	17 0	...	...	...
24	Tipperah*	...	...	...	...	...	..	11 0	11 0	16 0	13 0	13 0	22 0	...	...	...
25	Chittagong Hill Tracts	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 11	10 0	14 0	11 14	10 10½	16 0	...	...	...
	Hill Tipperah*	8 0	8 0	9 9	...	...	...	10 0	8 8	17 7	13 3	13 3	24 6	...	...	...
	BEHAR.															
26	Patna	18 0	17 4	11 0	29 0	28 0	18 0	13 0	17 0	11 0	19 0	19 0	12 0	...	...	...
27	Gya	Q 14 0	13 8	9 8	19 0	18 0	15 0	10 0	9 8	8 8	15 0	13 8	10 0	...	...	...
28	Shahabad	R 15 0	15 0	13 0	19 8	20 0	18 0	10 8	10 8	13 8	11 8	11 8	14 4	18 0	17 0	...
29	Tirhoot	S 14 8	14 0	11 0	17 0	17 0	19 0	8 0	8 0	10 0	17 0	17 0	12 0	...	...	...
30	Sarun	16 4	16 4	11 8	22 0	21 0	19 0	7 12	7 4	12 0	18 0	16 8	13 0	...	...	...
31	Chumparun	T 12 0	11 12	16 0	19 0	18 8	33 0	8 0	8 0	12 0	24 0	23 8	18 0	...	...	...
32	Monghyr†															
33	Bhagulpore	17 0	17 0	12 10	20 3	22 11	22 7	12 10	12 10	12 10	15 2	13 14	17 0	...	...	...
34	Purneah	14 0	15 0	10 0	...	...	...	13 0	12 8	11 0	22 0	19 0	14 0	...	...	...
35	Sonthal Pergunnahs	U 11 8	13 0	10 0	E 17 0 to 21 0	17 0 to 18 0	20 0 to 25 0	9 0	9 0	16 0	11 0	11 0	18 0	E 15 0	17 0	24 0
	ORISSA.															
36	Cuttack	17 1	17 1	14 7		...	...	17 1	17 1	23 10	24 15	23 10	31 8	...	...	...
37	Pooree	14 7	13 2	14 7	...	...	...	17 1	17 1	24 14	23 10	23 10	34 6	...	...	...
38	Balasore	11 0	10 8	12 0	...	...	...	18 0	17 0	16 0	22 0	22 0	32 0	...	...	...
	CHOTA NAGPORE.															
	South-West Frontier Agency.															
39	Hazareebagh	11 12	12 0	11 12	12 0	12 0	16 0	10 0	9 8	10 0	17 0	16 0	13 4	...	...	...
40	Lohardugga	9 0	9 8	11 0	16 0	15 0	...	16 0	16 0	10 0	17 0 to 21 0	18 0 to 23 0	16 0	...	...	...
41	Singbhoom†															
42	Manbhoom	11 0	11 0	12 8	E 16 0	16 0	30 0	10 0	10 0	14 0	15 0	15 0	15 0	E 17 0	17 0	40 0

* Return for next preceding week received after publication of last *Gazette*.
† Return not received.
O In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 13 to 14 seers, and common rice 15 to 19 seers per rupee.
P In the interior prices range as follow :—Best rice 12 to 16 seers, and common rice 13 to 18 seers per rupee.
Q In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 13-4 to 17 seers, barley 20 to 22 seers, best rice 12 seers, common rice 13 to 16 seers, lesser millet 30 to 32-8 seers, maize 24 to 27 seers, and gram 16 to 20 seers per rupee.
R In the interior prices range as follow :—Wheat 13 to 15 seers, barley 17 to 20 seers, best rice 8 to 10 seers, common rice 15 to 18 seers, bulrush millet 17-8 seers, great millet 19-8 seers, lesser millet 17 to 20 seers, and maize 20-8 to 21 seers, and gram 15-8 to 20 seers per rupee.

CALCUTTA,
The 3rd November 1874.

Districts of Bengal on the 31st October 1874—(Continued.)

THE SEER OF 80 TOLAS.

Great Millet—Cholum, Jowar.			Lesser Millets—Ragi or Murwa, and Cheena.			Maize or Indian-corn.			Gram.			Fire-wood.			Salt.			Districts.
Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	Present return.	Next preceding return.	Corresponding return of last year.	
S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	S. Ch.	*Eastern Districts*—(Contd.)
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 0	11 0	16 0	160 0	140 0	160 0	7 8	7 8	8 0	Chittagong.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 0	12 0	12 0	...	...	...	8 4	8 4	8 12	Noakholly.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 0	10 0	12 0	280 0	280 0	...	8 0	8 0	7 8	Tipperah.*
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	280 0	280 0	320 0	6 10	6 10	7 4	Chittagong Hill Tracts.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8 4	7 8	11 4	...	...	...	7 6	7 8	8 0	Hill Tipperah.*
																		BEHAR.
24 0	23 0	...	...	...	...	23 0	24 0	18 0	25 0	23 8	18 0	150 0	150 0	140 0	7 8	7 8	8 0	Patna.
...	...	...	23 0	23 0	15 0	21 0	21 0	15 0	19 0	18 8	13 0	180 0	180 0	160 0	7 4	7 4	7 0	Gya.
19 0	20 0	...	22 0	20 0	...	19 0	21 0	19 0	19 0	19 8	23 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	8 4	8 4	8 0	Shahabad.
...	...	...	30 0	30 0	23 0	28 0	28 0	22 0	21 0	21 0	16 0	140 0	140 0	160 0	7 8	7 8	7 12	Tirhoot.
22 0	21 0	22 0	25 0	24 0	24 0	23 8	23 0	20 0	20 0	19 8	19 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	7 12	7 12	8 0	Sarun.
...	...	...	35 0	32 0	40 0	34 0	31 0	38 0	16 0	16 0	26 0	...	...	...	7 0	7 8	6 12	Chumparun.
																		Monghyr.†
...	...	...	E 26 0 to 36 0	26 0 to 32 0	20 0 to 31 0	25 4	25 4	21 7	19 0	18 15	20 13	151 8	151 8	176 12	8 3	8 3	8 3	Bhagulpore.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16 0	16 0	13 0	160 0	160 0	160 0	7 8	7 0	7 0	Purneah.
...	...	...	E 35 0 to 40 0	40 0 to 50 0	...	32 0	35 0	24 0	15 0	17 0	19 0	320 0	320 0	320 0	7 8	7 8	8 0	Sonthal Pergunnahs.
																		ORISSA.
...	...	...	21 0	21 0	16 0	...	...	...	22 5	22 5	27 9	200 0	200 0	200 0	10 10	10 10	9 0	Cuttack.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21 0	21 0	21 0	100 0	100 0	105 0	12 0	12 0	10 0	Pooree.
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12 0	11 0	10 0	280 0	280 0	280 0	8 0	8 0	7 0	Balasore.
																		CHOTA NAGPORE.
																		South-West Frontier Agency.
...	...	...	33 0	40 0	24 0	27 0	27 0	20 8	13 8	13 8	14 0	240 0	240 0	200 0	6 8	6 8	6 8	Hazareebagh.
...	...	...	45 0	46 0	30 0	35 0	35 0	20 0	13 0	14 0	13 0	160 0	160 0	260 0	6 4	6 0	6 4	Lohardugga.
																		Singbhoom.†
...	...	...	64 0	64 0	...	28 0	28 0	20 0	13 0	13 4	13 0	260 0	240 0	320 0	7 8	7 8	7 8	Manbhoom.

S In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 12 to 20 seers, barley 12 to 40 seers, best rice 8 to 28 seers, common rice 10-8 to 30 seers, lesser millet 23 to 40 seers, maize 20 to 41 seers, and gram 14 to 24 seers per rupee.

T In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 11 to 13 seers, barley 16 to 17 seers, best rice 10-8 to 12-8 seers, common rice 16-4 to 24 seers, lesser millet 15 to 40 seers, maize 26 to 35 seers, and gram 15 to 16-4 seers per rupee.

U In the interior prices range as follow:—Wheat 12 to 17 seers, best rice 11 to 16 seers, common rice 11 to 17 seers, maize 28 to 40 seers, and gram 15 to 20 seers per rupee.

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Rainfall, Weather, and State and Prospects of the Crops.

Statement showing Rainfall, Weather, State and Prospects of the Crops in the different Districts of Bengal, as reported to Government during the week ending the 31st October 1874.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.			
	Western Districts.		
Burdwan Division.			
1	Burdwan, 2nd* Nov. 1874	1·55	Rainfall at Culna 2·23, at Raneegunge 2·43, at Cutwa 2·11, at Jehanabad 1·46. Prospects of crops improving. Fever on the increase.
2	Bankoora, 31st Oct. „	1·53	Rainfall during three days of the week, and it has been generally cloudy. The rain was not required, and has somewhat interfered with the cultivation of the winter crops, but to no serious extent. Paddy crop continues to flourish. Health good.
3	Beerbhoom, 31st „ „	1·90	Clouded and showery. State and prospects of crops continue good. The early November rice crops will be ready for the sickle shortly. Prices falling.
4	Midnapore, 31st „ „	1·65	Rain fell almost every day during the early part of the week; but the weather has cleared since Thursday. The recent rain has secured all the late rice that is not inundated, but unfortunately, in certain large tracts towards the south, it has added to the inundation, due to the very heavy rain which accompanied the cyclone, and they will lose their crop. Besides this, the people being unsheltered, have suffered much from the rain, and sickness has been much increased.
5	Hooghly, 31st „ „	3·08	Weather cloudy, after which clear; wind from north, south, and south-east. Rainfall at Serampore, 10·28; Chunditolla, 8·63; Kristonagore, 8·17. Prospects of the amun or late rice fair, except in two thanas. Prospect of cold weather crops good. The returns from Serampore, Chunditolla, and Kristonagore, includes the fall of the cyclone of the 15th.
	Howrah, 31st „ „	6·13	Rainy and fair. Nothing new to report on; favorable prospects of the crops.
	Central Districts.		
Presidency Divn.			
6	24-Pergunnahs, 2nd† Nov. 1874.	5·27	Rainy and close. The recent rain has done much good to the late rice crop. It has to some extent injured the cold weather crops early sown, but there is still time to resow the lands. Fever continues in Barripore.
7	Nuddea, 31st Oct. 1874	1·23	There has been rain everywhere, but the weather is still warm; nearly 10° hotter at night than at the same time last year. The weather during the week has been very favorable to all crops, except those which had been sown only a day or two before the rains. Prices still remain high, especially in the east side of the district. In the sudder there is a slight tendency to fall.
8	Jessore, 31st „ „	3·64	Cloudy and rainy. Wind principally from the south-east. The amun or the principal rice crop continues to promise well, and has received benefit from the rainfall. The winter crops will also be benefited generally, though in some places some little injury has been caused.
Rajshahye Divn.			
9	Moorshedabad, 31st Oct. 1874.	2·69	There has been a good deal of rain all over the district during the week. The prospects of late rice crops continue very favorable, and the backward crops have further improved by the rainfall of the week. Prices remain stationary. Cholera has appeared at Berhampore among the poor, who receive food from the Maharanee of Cossim Bazar, and in other parts of the district.
10	Dinagepore, 30th Oct. 1874.	9·1	Heavy rain, accompanied in some places with strong wind. The heavy rain and wind have laid some of the heavier fields of rice. The damage done, however, is very slight, while the benefit to late transplantings on high lands has been considerable. The heavy rain will interfere with the progress of cold weather crop cultivation.
11	Maldah, 31st Oct. 1874	5·98	Cloudy throughout the week; incessant rain on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. The prospects of the rice crops continue very good. Kalai (pulse) and mustard have been slightly injured by the rain.
12	Rajshahye	.....	Return not received.
13	Rungpore, 30th Oct. 1874	5·16	Early part of the week fine; since Tuesday night the rain has been heavy and almost incessant. The crops are generally thriving. Damage has been done to the rice in flower by the heavy rain, and a great deal will be flooded by the rain that has been continually falling for three days.
14	Bogra	.....	Return not received.
15	Pubna, 31st Oct. 1874	0·60	Slight rainfall on the 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th October; and a heavy shower fell on the night of the 30th. The harvesting of *hymanti dhan* is commenced, and kalai, matore, and khesaree (pulses) and rai (oil-seed), are being sown. Some cases of cholera reported from Pubna police station.

* Telegram of the 2nd November, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

† Report of the 2nd November, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

	No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BENGAL.—(*Contd.*)				
		Central Districts.—(Contd.)		
COOCH BEHAR DIVN.	16	Darjeeling, 30th Oct. 1874.	16·48	The rains from 28th to 30th were very heavy; the remaining days of the week were bright and sunny. The heavy rains of the last three days have done considerable damage to the maize and rice crops in the hills. The reports of the Terai previous to the 29th October show that the crops are progressing favorably, but no reports have been received after the rains of the 29th.
	17	Julpigoree, 30th Oct. 1874.	7·50	Rainy. Rain is supposed to have injured the crops slightly, but effects of rain doubtful as yet.
		Cooch Behar, 29th Oct. 1874.	0·85	Drizzling rain on 28th and 29th October, previously fine. Jute has been nearly an average crop. Generally speaking the prospects of the late rice crop are extremely good.
		Eastern Districts.		
DACCA DIVISION.	18	Dacca, 2nd* Nov. 1874	0·34	Weather cool, with showers. Crops very favorable.
	19	Furreedpore, 30th Oct. 1874.	1·01	The weather from Sunday afternoon to Friday night was cloudy and gusty from the south-east. Frequent showers of rain fell; some of them heavy. It has cleared up on the 30th, and fine weather appears to have set in again. The late weather is quite unprecedented for so late a period in the season, but it has nowhere done any injury to the rice crops, the state of which is excellent. Reaping of the advanced late rice has begun in several places throughout the district. Pulses in some parts are said to have slightly suffered from the wet weather, but the damage has nowhere been serious. The price of common rice at all the marts continues the same as last week. Malarious fever, which breaks out every year at the end of the rains, is now prevalent all over the district, and several fatal cases have occurred.
	20	Backergunge, 29th Oct. 1874.	6·64	Rainy and cool. The heavy rain of the last few days has still further improved the prospects of the crops.
	21	Mymensingh, 30th Oct. 1874.	1·13	Frequent slight showers; weather generally cloudy. The rubbee or cold weather crops which are in the ground are likely to suffer from the rain. Prospects of late rice crop, good throughout the district.
CHITTAGONG DIVN.	22	Chittagong, 29th Oct. 1874.	2·54	Cloudy and windy, with heavy rain on the 25th and 26th; since then fine: the mornings and evenings being decidedly cooler. The rough weather on Sunday and Monday has laid the paddy in some places. *Khoa aous* (early rice) is being cut in the south of the district.
	23	Noakholly, 29th Oct. 1874	4·86	Weather unusually rainy and warm for the season. The late rice is in general progressing favorably, though slight damage has been done in some places by insects.
	24	Tipperah, 30th " "	2·53	Rainfall at Brahmunberiah 1·23. Weather rainy and tolerably good. The prospects of the late rice crop are everywhere reported on as good.
	25	Chittagong Hill Tracts, 27th Oct. 1874.	2·48	Dry and hot in the beginning of the week. Steady rain all Monday last. Harvesting of the joom paddy crop almost concluded. The late fall of rain has done much good to plough cultivation. The cotton is doing well. Mustard lands are being prepared.
		Hill Tipperah, 31st Oct. 1874.	2·34	First part of the week, little rain; in the latter part, there was heavy rain. There was a severe thunderstorm on the 25th October. Paddy in good condition.
BEHAR.				
PATNA DIVN.	26	Patna	.....	Return not received.
	27	Gya, 31st Oct. 1874	1·59	Cloudy till the 30th, when it cleared up; there was a good fall of rain on the 28th and 29th October. The prospects of the crops continue most favorable. The aghani or late rice crop is splendid throughout the district. The sowing of the rubbee or cold weather crop is being actively carried on. The rubbee will be benefited by the late rain.
	28	Shahabad, 31st " "	1·19	Heavy rain from the 27th to 29th, with strong east wind; sunny and bright since then. The recent rain, it is feared, has caused slight damage in places to the rubbee or cold weather sowing, which has not as yet germinated. It is not too late to sow again; such lands as have not yet been sown will have benefited by the rain. The rice crop continues good.

* Telegram of the 2nd November, received on the same day, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

	No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
BEHAR.—(*Contd.*)				
PATNA DIVN.—(*Contd.*)	29	Tirhoot, 30th Oct. 1874	3·49	Cloudy and drizzling. In the Mudhoobunnee Sub-division the prospects of the paddy crop continue excellent; rubbee or cold weather sowings going on in every part of the sub-division. Rahur (pulse) doing well. In the Durbhunga Sub-division the crops are looking very well. The rain, which has fallen during the last two days, and is still falling, will not benefit the rice, but will be good for the rubbee. In Hajeepore Sub-division the prospects of the paddy are very favorable owing to the late rains; the rains will also materially help the rubbee sowings. Rainfall during the week is 1·26. In Seetamurhee Sub-division the late rains have been injurious, the rubbee crops having been entirely swamped. Those that have come up still remain uninjured to a certain extent, but those sown lately have greatly been damaged. The rains have also been injurious to the paddy, *i.e.*, to what is in ear. About two annas are reported to have been destroyed. The rainfall during the week is 5·10, and still raining. In Sudder Sub-division the prospects of crops excellent; the late rain has done good to the rice crop; newly sown rubbee crops have suffered a little. Fine weather is now wanted. Public health good.
	30	Sarun, 31st " "	·59	Cloudy and showery on the 28th and 29th, with occasional sunny breaks on the 30th; clouds still hanging about. East wind prevailing. The late rain, general throughout the district, has done some slight injury to the "aghani" or late rice now in ear, and the new sown "rubbee" fields, which last will have to be resown (the seeds being spoiled by rain). The winter sowings have also been retarded, but the "aghani" rice not yet in ear, and the early sown "rubbee" crops, which have already germinated, will be benefited. Prices (wheat excepted) show a downward tendency.
	31	Chumparun, 30th " "	2·5	Very fair weather. The rubbee or cold weather crops have been very largely benefited by the rainfall this week as well as the fields; the cultivators are ploughing up for sowings.
BHAGULPORE DIVN.	32	Monghyr, 31st Oct. 1874	4·96	Cloudy, with strong east wind. Very heavy rain during the week. The rice crops are flourishing. Rubbee or cold weather sowings retarded. Crop prospects generally favorable, but fine weather is now required.
	33	Bhagulpore, 2nd* Nov.	3·76	Rainfall at Banka 4·59, at Muddehpoora 7·10, and at Soopool 4·56. At present the weather is bright and clear. No very great damage can have been caused by the unusual and heavy rain. Some of the rice has been laid low by the wind, and may not yield as much as it promised; some of the rice just in bloom may also suffer. A full average outturn may still be expected. Sowing of wheat and other cold weather crops will be very late owing to excessive moisture. General health very good.
	34	Purneah, 31st Oct. 1874	6·27	Rain and wind. Continuous rain since Tuesday afternoon. Some damage done to the most forward crops, but no details received as yet; nothing serious apprehended.
	35	Sonthal Pergunnahs, 31st Oct. 1874.	2·86	The rain seems to have been general. Rajmehal, 4·1; Deoghur, 2·9. 30th and 31st are bright, with clouds hanging about. Opinions vary about the effect of the late very unusual rain. It will have damaged any paddy it caught in flower, and any very heavy crop it will have beaten down. In Deoghur the rain is said to be doing mischief to all crops. The best opinion in Dumka is that the damage done to rice everywhere is nearly equal to the excess the people hoped to have over a good average crop. Cholera and cattle disease are also prevalent.
ORISSA.				
ORISSA DIVISION.	36	Cuttack	.....	Return not received.
	37	Pooree, 29th Oct. 1874	8·76	Incessant and heavy rain since evening of 25th October throughout the district. The rainfall at Khoorda was 9·36 inches. The harvest of the early rice crop has been finished and the outturn has been three-fourths of an ordinary average crop. The first late rice crop or *laghoo* is flowering and ripening, and the second or *sarud* is coming into ear and being weeded. The heavy rain is likely to cause some injury to the crops. Of the pulses sown, some have been damaged by the rain. Prices are stationary.
	38	Balasore, 30th " "	4·26	The week commenced with fine weather, succeeded by three days and nights of incessant rain. The rain has again submerged the low plains of winter rice in the north of the district, which had been laid under water by the cyclone, and it is feared that it will do more damage to the rice crop than the cyclone itself. The weather, however, is now fine again. The general prospects of the harvest are fair.

* Report of the 2nd November, received on the 3rd, shows rainfall during the seven days immediately preceding.

No.	District and date of return.	Rainfall at Sudder Station in inches.	Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, and state of health at date.
CHOTA NAGPORE.			
	South-West Frontier Agency.		
39	Hazareebagh, 30th Oct. 1874.	3·68	Continued excessive rain, but no accounts of damage have as yet reached the district officer. The cold weather crops have benefited much, but the rice requires sunshine. Bright on the 30th October.
40	Lohardugga, 31st Oct. 1874.	2·51	Very rainy and stormy during the 27th, 28th, and 29th October, but bright and clear afterwards. The prospects of the crops still continue very favorable, though probably the more advanced rice has been somewhat damaged by the late rains. The rubbee or cold weather crops in Palamow promise very well.
41	Singbhoom, 30th Oct. 1874.	1·53	The first part of the week bright, but cloudy and rainy since Monday. Again clear on the 30th October. Crops good everywhere and now being cut; yield excellent. A great deal of fever still about all over the district.
42	Manbhoom, 31st Oct. 1874.	1·62	Cloudy, with rain during the greater part of the week. Prospects of crops continue favorable. 1½ inches of rain fell during 27th and 28th October, but does not appear to have done any injury. The wind has now got to the north-west, and the sky is clear.

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Weekly Report of Rainfall, compiled at the Meteorological Reporter's Office.

Division.	District.	Station.	Rain from 27th Sept. to 3rd Oct. 1874.	Rain from 4th to 10th Oct. 1874.	Rain from 11th to 17th Oct. 1874.	Rain from 18th to 24th Oct. 1874.	Rain from 1st January 1874. Inches.	Rain from 1st January 1874. Up to date.	Remarks.
BENGAL.									
			Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.		1874.	
	Western Districts.								
Burdwan	Burdwan	Burdwan	0·48	0·44	8·45	Nil	59·72	24th Oct.	
		Cutwa	Not rec.	0·44	Not rec.	0·74	43·15	ditto ...	Not rec. 27th Sept. to 3rd Oct., 11th to 17th Oct.
		Culna	0·22	1·34	2·69	Nil	43·79	ditto	
		Bood-bood	0·53	0·24	Not rec.	Nil	45·75	ditto ...	Not rec. 11th to 17th Oct.
		Raneegunge	1·45	0·32	1·47	Nil	36·95	ditto	
		Jehanabad	3·53	1·10	4·89	0·50	48·41	ditto	
	Bankoora	Bankoora	0·84	2·48	1·75	Nil	48·38	ditto	
	Beerbhoom	Sooree	1·91	0·60	4·84	Nil	67·65	ditto	
	Midnapore	Midnapore	1·49	1·60	10·62	Nil	50·96	ditto	
		Tumlook	Nil	Nil.	Not rec.	Nil	46·25	ditto ...	Not rec. 11th to 17th Oct.
		Gurbeta	0·14	0·90	ditto	Not rec.	51·17	10th Oct.	
		Contai { Dy. Collr.'s Office	3·65	1·57	ditto	ditto	67·66	ditto	
		Contai { Exe. Engr.'s Office	3·72	1·35	10·27	1·08	83·12	24th Oct.	
	Hooghly	Hooghly	0·07	0·79	4·26	0·14	36·91	ditto	
		Serampore	1·14	0·87	6·38	0·56	50·44	ditto	
	Howrah	Howrah	1·76	0·97	6·24	0·18	44·82	ditto	
	Central Districts.								
Presidency	24-Pergunnahs	Saugor Island ...	1·20	1·10	7·10	0·70	67·74	ditto	
		Calcutta	2·89	1·54	6·08	Nil	55·38	ditto	
		Alipore { Dispensary ...	2·70	0·93	5·73	0·64	57·74	ditto	
		Alipore { Jail	1·93	0·73	5·58	0·56	54·69	ditto	
		Busseerhaut	1·09	0·70	3·05	0·08	38·82	ditto	
		Baraset	1·33	0·56	5·25	Nil	46·23	ditto	
		Diamond Harbour ...	0·87	1·86	3·32	Nil	56·59	ditto	
		Barripore	1·32	0·47	6·48	Nil	52·03	ditto	
		Satkhira	1·83	0·31	Not rec.	Nil	36·42	ditto ...	Not rec. 11th to 17th Oct.
		Barrackpore	0·97	0·69	6·30	0·85	49·29	ditto	
		Dum-Dum	0·80	0·29	5·06	Nil	44·75	ditto	
	Nuddea	Kishnaghur	0·59	0·03	2·24	Nil	47·41	ditto	
		Bongong	0·47	0·20	2·23	Nil	35·67	ditto	
		Meherpore	0·60	0·71	0·33	2·23	47·11	ditto	
		Chooadangah	2·63	2·00	1·65	Nil	49·58	ditto	
		Kooshtea	1·05	0·17	1·94	Nil	49·32	ditto	
		Ranaghat	0·32	0·33	2·12	Nil	44·34	ditto	
	Jessore	Jessore	0·52	Nil	1·74	1·11	49·22	ditto	
		Narail	0·88	0·15	1·85	0·02	49·98	ditto	
		Khoolnah	0·90	Nil	3·40	0·24	51·57	ditto	
		Jhenida	0·70	ditto	2·30	0·40	52·49	ditto	
		Bagirhat	2·28	ditto	2·34	0·05	50·02	ditto	
		Magoorah	1·30	ditto	1·76	0·23	48·29	ditto	
Rajshahye	Moorshedabad	Berhampore	1·91	0·08	6·45	0·21	46·79	ditto	
		Rampore Haut	1·44	1·37	6·10	0·16	63·81	ditto ...	Not rec. 13th to 19th Sept.
		Lalbagh	5·48	1·22	6·82	Nil	50·52	ditto	
		Jungypore	Not rec.	Not rec.	0·33	Nil	62·49	ditto ...	Not rec. 4th to 10th Oct. & 27th Sept. to 3rd Oct.
		Azimgunge	0·73	2·39	5·22	Not rec	50·20	17th Oct.	
		Lalgolia	1·47	0·07	17·80	0·02	67·83	24th Oct.	
	Dinagepore	Dinagepore	3·42	Nil	3·08	Nil	69·69	ditto	
	Maldah	Maldah	2·24	1·51	3·09	Nil	62·78	ditto	
		Chanchal	2·77	0·55	1·07	Nil	70·82	ditto	
	Rajshahye	Beauleah	2·10	0·99	4·12	Nil	52·56	ditto	
		Nattore	2·86	0·67	4·23	Nil	72·97	ditto	
	Rungpore	Rungpore	1·40	0·05	8·86	Nil	89·35	ditto	
		Bhowanigunge	2·85	0·63	5·51	Nil	68·82	ditto	
		Titalya	7·12	Nil	0·22	Nil	115·56	ditto	
	Bogra	Bogra	1·78	Not rec.	4·44	Nil	82·56	ditto ...	Not rec. 4th to 10th Oct.
	Pubna	Pubna	0·68	0·29	1·54	Nil	52·93	ditto	
		Serajgunge	Not rec.	2·05	0·98	Not rec.	53·54	17th Oct.	Not rec. 27th Sept. to 3rd Oct.
Cooch Behar	Darjeeling	Darjeeling { Telegraph Office	ditto	Not rec.	Not rec.	ditto	96·58	15th Sept.	
		Darjeeling { Hospital ...	6·10	2·07	0·50	ditto	106·99	17th Oct.	
	Julpigoree	Julpigoree	8·23	1·17	0·63	Nil	140·08	24th Oct.	
		Bodah	2·63	1·43	1·10	Nil	116·86	ditto	
		Buxa { Commissioner's Office	5·83	2·64	2·69	0·03	217·19	ditto	
		Buxa { Civil Surgeon's ,,	6·74	2·67	2·76	Nil	225·98	ditto	
	Cooch Behar Tributary States ...	Cooch Behar	2·61	0·40	4·52	Nil	152·10	ditto	

Divisions.	District.	Station.	Rain from 27th Sept. to 3rd Oct. 1874.	Rain from 4th to 10th Oct. 1874.	Rain from 11th to 17th Oct. 1874.	Rain from 18th to 24th Oct. 1874.	Rain from 1st January 1874. Inches.	Rain from 1st January 1874. Up to date.	Remarks.
BENGAL.—(*Continued.*)									
	Eastern Districts.		Inches.	Inches	Inches.	Inches.		1874.	
Dacca	Dacca	Dacca ... Telegraph Office ...	0·98	0·84	2·34	Not rec.	50·94	17th Oct.	
		Dacca ... Hospital ...	Not rec.	0·59	1·84	0·39	50·68	24th Oct.	Not rec. 27th Sept to 3rd Oc.
		Moonsheegunge	ditto	0·27	1·20	Nil	60·43	ditto	Ditto ditto.
		Manickgunge	ditto	0·31	0·54	0·07	49·20	ditto	Ditto ditto.
	Fureedpore	Fureedpore	8·84	0·24	1·10	Nil	65·78	ditto	
		Goalundo	2·21	0·18	0·44	Nil	49·42	ditto	
		Madaripore	0·54	1·50	5·02	Nil	66·36	ditto	
	Backergunge	Burrisal	0·43	0·09	2·03	0·18	58·56	ditto	
		Perozepore	3·60	Nil	2·07	0·56	49·19	ditto	
		Patcoakhally	2·29	1·69	2·89	0·99	77·28	ditto	
		Dowlatkhan	3·06	0·70	2·00	0·95	79·89	ditto	
	Mymensingh	Mymensingh	0·36	0·25	1·45	0·39	72·03	ditto	
		Jamalpore	3·03	2·17	4·69	0·05	64·22	ditto	
		Atia	2·25	1·03	0·86	Not rec.	51·62	17th Oct.	
		Kishoregunge	0·40	3·00	1·01	Nil	68·59	24th Oct.	
	Sylhet	Sylhet.	2·59	5·90	0·15	0·13	142·53	ditto	
Chittagong	Chittagong	Chittagong Telegraph Office	5·30	1·10	Nil	0·40	82·49	ditto	
		Chittagong Jail ...	5·36	1·35	0·08	0·46	78·95	ditto	
		Cox's Bazar	6·18	0·93	0·40	0·57	97·55	ditto	
	Noakholly	Noakholly	1·91	3·82	0·93	0·68	100·54	ditto	
	Tipperah	Comillah	2·57	2·84	0·37	0·28	69·52	ditto	
		Brahmunberiah	2·08	2·18	0·64	0·16	50·90	ditto	
	Chittagong Hill Tracts	Rungamatee Hill ...	4·54	5·57	0·24	0·87	73·27	ditto	
	Hill Tipperah	Hill Tipperah	2·25	2·13	0·76	0·27	50·80	ditto	
BEHAR.									
Patna	Patna	Patna	2·88	3·60	Nil	Nil	48·13	ditto	
		Behar	4·91	3·39	0·15	Nil	44·61	ditto	
		Barh	8·56	0·83	Nil	Nil	39·64	ditto	
		Dinapore ... Jail ...	3·50	0·40	Nil	Nil	49·30	ditto	
		Dinapore ... Cantonment ...	2·85	0·70	Nil	Nil	48·72	ditto	
	Gya	Gya	2·29	0·73	Nil	Nil	44·31	ditto	
		Nowadah	4·05	4·07	0·10	Nil	58·41	ditto	
		Arungabad	0·38	8·95	Nil	Nil	66·74	ditto	
		Jehanabad	2·22	0·75	Nil	Nil	48·98	ditto	
	Shahabad	Arrah	4·69	1·11	Nil	Nil	53·59	ditto	
		Sasseram	0·31	9·58	Not rec.	Not rec.	53·77	10th Oct.	
		Buxar	3·63	6·29	Nil	Nil	50·93	24th Oct.	
		Bhuboosh	0·65	4·86	Nil	Nil	65·36	ditto	
	Tirhoot	Mozufferpore	5·63	Not rec.	Nil	Not rec.	39·55	17th Oct	Not received 4th to 10th Oct.
		Durbhunga	5·26	0·50	Nil	ditto	54·05	ditto	
		Hajeepore	3·55	Not rec.	Nil	ditto	45·98	ditto ...	ditto.
		Mudhoobunnee	9·26	0·65	Nil	ditto	53·41	ditto	
		Seetamurhee	7·26	0·52	Nil	ditto	43·17	ditto	
		Tajpore	4·20	0·81	Nil	Nil	41·79	24th Oct.	
	Sarun	Chupra	Not rec.	Not rec.	Not rec.	Not rec.	39·87	26th Sept.	
		Sewan	ditto	ditto	ditto	ditto	36·00	ditto	
	Chumparun	Motiharee	8·08	0·60	Nil	Nil	46·93	24th Oct.	
		Bettiah	9·42	0·77	Nil	Nil	56·00	ditto	
Bhagulpore	Monghyr	Monghyr	3·70	1·39	Nil	Nil	54·63	ditto	
		Begoo Serai	2·35	1·13	0·40	Nil	32·38	ditto	
		Jamooee	3·13	1·95	Nil	Nil	47·82	ditto	
	Bhagulpore	Bhagulpore	1·47	1·88	0·11	Nil	47·15	ditto	
		Soopool	7·18	0·17	Nil	Nil	63·55	ditto	
		Muddehpoora	6·40	0·40	Nil	Nil	64·28	ditto	
		Banka	1·81	0·45	Nil	0·10	48·60	ditto	
		Sanborsa	11·87	2·30	Nil	Nil	67·35	ditto	
	Purneah	Purneah	2·14	0·77	0·03	Nil	67·27	ditto	
		Kissengunge	2·58	Nil	0·03	Nil	89·60	ditto	
		Arrareah	6·06	Nil	Nil	Nil	87·38	ditto	
	Sonthal Pergunnahs	Nya Doomka	2·32	1·89	1·75	0·96	57·39	ditto	
		Rajmehal	3·30	Nil	Not rec.	Not rec.	47·20	10th Oct.	
		Deoghur	0·20	1·11	ditto	0·64	55·19	24th Oct.	Not received 11th to 17th Oct.
		Godda	Not rec.	0·92	ditto	Nil	43·44	ditto ...	Not received 27th Sept. to 3rd Oct.